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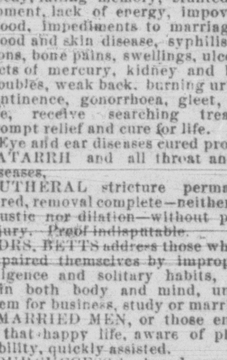

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Gov. Ross Leaves for Washington to Look After the Interests of Texas.

MCKINNEY, Tex., May 13.—To the people of Texas: When I announced myself a candidate for governor sometime since my health was better than it had been for ten years. Shortly after that announcement I was attacked with la grippe, then an epidemic, and from over exertion and exposure since I have had frequent attacks of rigor, followed by fever, which rendered me totally incapable for days at a time of either mental or physical exertion. My experience on a recent visit to Bellville, and inability to speak at Cleburne, convinced me that the hope of overcoming this trouble is not only delusive, but that my health will break more and more under the fatigues and exertion which the canvas demands. I have, therefore, determined to withdraw from the race, and whilst it pains me to think of the disappointment which I know this announcement will occasion my friends, I feel that good faith to the people of the state requires that it be made. In leaving my friends to select some other standard bearer, I desire to return to them throughout the state, my sincere thanks for their devotion and efforts in my behalf, and express the hope that they may find a servant more capable and worthy than myself to direct the destinies of Texas to a grander and nobler civilization. J. W. THROCKMORTON.

Strikers Still Out.

DALLAS, Tex., May 12.—The eight-hour labor league were addressed last evening at their hall by P. H. Golden, Dr. Arch Cochran, W. Forbes of Fort Worth and Contractor Page, all of whom had words of encouragement for the nine hours movement. Beyond speaking nothing was done at the meeting.

Notice was served on all carpenters, joiners, painters and paper hangers that they were expected to answer roll call at from 7 to 8 a. m. to-day in labor hall on Elm street. This is merely a displinary action to keep the men in line.

Mr. J. T. W. Loe said last night: "There will be fewer carpenters at work to-morrow than were at work on Saturday. We have provided for the needy. We are willing to do so whether they belong to the union or not, and we will continue to do so. The strikers can easily hold out a month longer. I state positively that we have not yet drawn a draft against any fund in the treasury, the money thus far spent amounting to little less than $100, having been donated by our citizens."

Child Cut in Two.

VICTORIA, Tex., May 14.—An accident occurred here yesterday which resulted in the death of a little colored child, daughter of Ike Alexander. With an older sister, the child attempted to crawl under some cars loaded with gravel that the switch engine had just coupled onto, but were standing still when they started to cross. Just as the children got under the cars they were started. The oldest child succeeded in getting out, but the youngest was caught and completely cut in two by the wheels. No blame is attributable to the railway employes, as they had no idea of the presence of the children under the train.

Corn on several farms in this vicinity has reached the roasting ear stage.

Cutting Affair—Remarkable Rain.

TEXARKANA, Tex., May 12.—Two painters named Poniter had a difficulty Saturday with Frank Brown, who follows the same trade. In the course of the trouble one of the brothers drew a knife and stabbed Brown, inflicting ugly but not dangerous injuries. The painters were arrested.

One of the heaviest rains in the past five years visited this section Saturday night. It was accompanied by considerable wind and flashes of lightning which kept the heavens aglow all the while. Fears were entertained that a cyclone was coming, but it did not materialize.

Masked Desperadoes.

COMANCHE, Tex., May 13.—Bud Davis and Mr. Davis were arrested and jailed Friday, charged with the murder of J. W. Koen, which occurred Thursday. About midnight five or six parties in masks forcibly entered the house of the deceased, and in the presence of his wife and children shot him to death. His wife and stepdaughter recognized two of the parties. Other arrests are expected to follow soon. J. W. Koen was a quiet, inoffensive man and a good citizen. His wife is a first cousin to Gen. Forest.

Local Option Defeated.

ARLINGTON, Tex., May 12.—A local option election held here Saturday resulted in a complete walk over for the wet ticket. Arlington has served for four years under local option rule and has given the law a fair trial and now the "free American citizens" of the town come forward and pronounce the law a failure and a farce, it being an undisputed fact that more whisky has been sold and drunk in Arlington during the local option rule than at any previous time in the history of the town for the same length of time.

An Old Man Drowned.

LAMPASAS, Tex., May 14.—Jesse Quinn, an old resident of this county, wandered away from his home last Saturday morning and was found Monday evening about one and a half miles below town drowned in the Sulphur fork of the Lampasas river. He was buried yesterday by the Odd Fellows. He had been acting queer of late and it is supposed that while temporarily insane he jumped into the river and was drowned.

Bridge Contractor Killed.

JEFFERSON, Tex., May 14.—News reached here yesterday of the death of Mr. H. D. Cherry, one of our best citizens and one of the most competent architects and contractors. He was engaged in building a railroad bridge near Atlanta, and in some way he fell from the bridge, receiving injuries from which he died a short while afterward. He leaves a family.

High Water Disaster.

TRINITY, Tex., May 13.—Trains have not crossed Trinity river since Saturday. Transfers are made by boats and flat cars which are run out into the water. The river is still rising and is now above the high water mark of 1884. The passenger train from off the Trinity and Sabine, due at 5 p. m., has not arrived yet, owing to the water tank at White Rock giving way yesterday evening and falling across the trestle, injuring the track considerably, which will delay all trains for several hours. T. J. Ray, Tom Cronin, Robert Gaunt and other railroad officials are at the river with a large force of hands trying to save the roadbed and helping to transfer. There came near being a serious accident while transferring. One of the boats which contained some ladies and children lodged against some trees and came near capsizing. The water is about one and a quarter miles wide, deep and very swift.

An Editor Suicides.

AUSTIN, Tex., May 10.—J. P. Duvimage, well known here and San Antonio as the editor of the Sachenblatt, published in Austin some years ago, committed suicide Wednesday night by hanging himself in his room in the Avenue hotel, where he had been stopping since April 24. Despondency for want of means and employment is the supposed cause of his act. He had just received a telegram addressed to the clerk of the hotel by his wife in San Antonio, asking if he was at the hotel. He was about 45 years of age, of French lineage by his father's side, but born in Germany. He married Mrs. Stapp of Victoria, who is said to be teaching music in San Antonio, where other members of his family, including his son, are living. The body was not discovered till yesterday noon as he was irregular in going to his room and nothing wrong was suspected.

Fire a Salute.

GALVESTON, Tex., May 12.—The steamship Propitious left the wharf Saturday morning with her cargo of Kansas corn loaded for Liverpool. She went out over the bar on a high tide drawing fifteen feet one inch, and will finish loading on the outside. In commemoration of the starting of this first shipment Mayor Fulton, through the courtesy of the Galveston artillery company, arranged for the firing of a national salute, and as the vessel left her moorings she steamed down the channel during the firing of a salute of twenty-one guns belching out to the world in thundering tones the tidings of an inauguration of new trade relations between Galveston and the great west—the commemoration of a trade that in the future is destined to assume vast proportions.

Gov. Wheeler to Assume Charge.

AUSTIN, Tex., May 13.—Gov. Wheeler assumes the duties of chief executive of Texas to-day. Gov. Ross leaves for Washington city to arrange matters for trial of the Greer county boundary suit. It is understood that he will retain John Hancock, George Clark and ex-Attorney General Garland, or some other equally able Washington attorney to assist the state in defense of the claim. While there he will confer with Hon. Joseph Sayers with the purpose of instituting further steps that may be necessary to facilitate the collection of the balance of the deficiency claims. It is almost certain that Mr. Sayers, who has charge of the claim in congress, will succeed in obtaining an appropriation for $148,000.

A Severe Accident.

GALVESTON, Tex., May 14.—A terrible accident occurred yesterday morning at Perkins' lumber yard on Twenty-seventh street, between Strand and Mechanic. Near a pile of lumber in the street two little girls were playing, one Maggie O'Reagan, aged 5 years, the other Pauline Gonzales of the same age, both daughters of cotton screwmen who resided in the neighborhood. As the children were playing with crawfish in the ditch a dray loaded with lumber passed and some of its projecting pieces struck the pile of lumber under which the children were playing, throwing it over, killing the O'Reagan girl instantly and it is thought fatally injuring young Pauline Gonzales.

Getting Out Iron Ore by Tons.

ATLANTA, Cass Co., Tex., May 9.—The Lone Star Iron company of Jefferson have a large force of hands employed here getting out iron ore to ship to the new iron furnace at Jefferson. They now have piled in one place near the depot over 1200 tons of ore of the finest quality. Atlanta is negotiating with a large syndicate to build a furnace. They can furnish the ore in inexhaustible quantities, transportation and necessary employes and only needs the capital and experienced operatives to have the requisites of a successful operated furnace.

Work of Lightning.

SAN ANGELO, Tex., May 14.—Monday evening during a severe hail and rain storm, Billie Ballard, a young man 25 years of age, while en route to this place horseback from J. B. Taylor's ranch on the Devil river, and horse were instantly killed by lightning near Knickerbocker some thirty miles west. His head was broken into jelly and his entire clothing torn from his body. A horse he was leading was not injured. A flock of sheep a few miles from town was also struck and killed.

Wounded by Negroes.

RICHARDSON, Tex., May 10.—Two negroes by name of Rodgers and Bonner, that live four miles south of here, went before Squire Malone yesterday evening and reported that they had shot and badly wounded an unknown white man for assaulting the wife of Rodgers. Deputy Sheriff Stratton has gone out to investigate the matter. The white man has not told his side of the story.

Kicked by a Horse.

GREENVILLE, Tex., May 9.—W. H. Shilling, of Kaufman, while in the act of putting his horse in O'Neal's stable, was kicked in the side several times before assistance could be given. He was carried to the hotel and medical aid summoned. It was at first thought that his wounds were fatal, as he is about 65 or 70 years old. He is resting easy and is expected to recover.

Highest Rise Yet Known.

JEFFERSON, Tex., May 9.—The river continues to rise here, and the water on the lake is higher than ever known before. There is a great loss of cattle and stock of all kinds. Many families are homeless and the river is beginning to run through the sewers of the city.

GENERAL NEWS.

DOMESTIC.

The tariff debate still continues in congress.

Chicago carpenters compromised on a nine-hour day.

The bank of America in Philadelphia has suspended.

The gambling houses of Denver, Col., have been closed.

The New Orleans and Gulf railway is in the hands of a receiver.

An Indian was lynched for horse stealing at Los Angeles, Cal.

The Republicans of the house held a caucus on the tariff bill.

Carlisle is named as the most probable successor to Senator Beck.

Dr. Talmage paid a high tribute to the piety of Senator Beck, of Kentucky.

No strike took place in St. Louis, though the parades were long and imposing.

The New York carpenters secured the eight-hour work-day without trouble.

The Red river is rising still, tracks are flooded in Arkansas and traffic stopped.

Edwin Stokes was severely beaten by striking iron moulders in San Francisco.

The leading manufacturers of window-glass held an important meeting in Chicago.

Ex-President Cleveland has been admitted to practice before the supreme court.

A heavy frost at Pekin, Ill., killed strawberries, peaches and pears on the 6th inst.

The tariff and federal election bills will be pushed after they are reached on the calendar.

One thousand coal miners near Washington, Ind., have struck for an advance in wages.

Gibbon's, N. Y., has been wiped out by fire. All of its business houses are destroyed.

A drunken section boss near Clay City, Ky., fired into a train and fatally wounded a passenger.

Non-union carpenters joined the strikers at Detroit, Mich., making a total of 2200 men out.

The Clayton-Breckenridge investigation has been in progress at Little Rock, Ark., several days.

All low lands in Louisiana are flooded, and the water stands nearly two feet higher than in 1884.

A train was thrown from the track at Fountain, Col., by a misplaced switch and Fireman Sipes killed.

A joint resolution passed congress appropriating $7,000,000 for Mississippi river improvements.

Dr. Ryland T. Brown, one of the best known scientists, minister and scholars in Indiana, is dead.

Coal miners at Brazil, Ind., have agreed on 75 cents as a yearly scale, an advance of 2½ cents over last year.

Steamboats on Red river have their hands full saving life and live stock above and below Shreveport.

At Louisville, Ky., both employes and employers seem determined not to give a point in the carpenter strike.

Spokane Falls, Wash., is deluged with high water and her water mains for fire protection have been swept out.

A break in the Red river levee at Sunflower exposed to overflow plantations for 100 miles below Shreveport.

Patrick Gorman, committed to jail at Hartford, Conn., for breach of the peace, has refused food for two weeks.

The wedding of Miss Rosa Fay and Theodore Thomas, the famous orchestra leader, took place in Chicago on the 6th inst.

H. W. Steele, charged with embezzling funds of the St. Louis, Arkansas and Texas railroad, was honorable acquitted at Shreveport, La.

Frayley, the busted St. Louis grain speculator, settled with creditors for forty cents on the dollar. His rich wife endorses his notes.

The establishment of A. H. Andrews & Co., Philadelphia, manufacturers of school and office desks, declared a lockout as a result of the strike.

At Freeport, Neb., a young man named Clark proposed to Miss McIntyre and upon her refusal shot her in the chest and blew out his brains.

James F. Graham, city editor of the World, has filed suit against ex-Judge Henry Hilton, of New York, for $50,000 damages for libel.

Helen Dauvray Ward and her husband, John Ward, the great shortstop, have separated. The footlights were too great an attraction for the wife.

Mrs. Butterfield, who was found murdered in her house at Denver, Col., is supposed to be the victim of a fiend who attempted to rape her.

Henry L. Sales, a member of the notorious boodle board of 1884 of New York, and who forfeited a $20,000 bond and fled to Canada, has returned.

The merchants' bridge at St. Louis was formally opened in the presence of the governors of Illinois and Missouri. It is a double track railway bridge.

At a session of the Oregon conference of the Evangelical church at Albany a row occurred which resulted in a division of the body into two factions.

One of the most brilliant meteors ever seen on this continent flashes across Iowa. Its passage was accompanied by a great noise, and fire and smoke followed.

Judge Creighton, of Springfield, Ill., has decided that tobacco is not a necessity, and a tobacco bill cannot be collected by process of law from a minor.

It is rumored that James T. Harper and Hon. Phil Davis of Elberton, Ga., parties to a recent cowhiding in that city, will finish the job with a duel by moonlight.

The poorhouse and insane asylum of Chenango county, New York, has been consumed by fire, and eleven of its inmates were cremated in the burning building.

Burt Price and Allie Willard, two New York dudes, fought five rounds with four-ounce gloves to settle a dispute over a young lady. Willard drew first blood and won the fight.

Walton, the defaulting clerk of the Pacific Express company, is now in Montreal, Canada, and will appear as a witness against parties who fleeced him out of the company's money.

The report that John Brisben Walker, editor of the Cosmopolitan, had been drowned while fishing in Carolina, is untrue. He has recently returned to New York from Denver.

Attorney-General Watson, of Ohio, has brought suit in quo warranto in the supreme court to take from the Standard Oil company its charter for violation of laws in various ways.

Arthur Jackson, a Connecticut colored brute, compelled his wife to hold a light while he killed his dog; he then slashed her throat with a razor, knocked her down, cut off several fingers and was having a gay time stamping her already lifeless body when arrested. Jealously is assigned as the cause.

The demands of the striking carpenters of Chicago have been conceded by contractors. Eight hours constitute a day's work and said work is to be performed under union foremen.

Representative McComas of Maryland reported to the house from the committee on elections of a president, vice-president and representatives in congress his bill to prevent gerrymandering.

In a prize fight between James Haley of New York and James Cannon of Buffalo for a purse of $1000 before the Savannah, Ga., Athletic club, Cannon won in the twenty-third round.

At Columbus, Ind., Mrs. Mary McManus, a lady in delicate health, while crossing a field fainted. Her body was attacked by hogs and almost devoured before discovered by friends.

Senator Fry reports a bill to place the United States merchant marine on a footing with that of other nations; also to provide for an ocean mail service between the United States and foreign States.

McCann on the witness stand in New York makes some sensational charges against Mayor Grant and Durham, of the firm of Durham, Buckley & Co. He swears he would not believe McCann on oath.

A mad dog in Memphis, Tenn., bit an Italian organ grinder, a colored child and several dogs. The police failing to kill the dog with pistols, citizens cornered it and knocked it out of existence with clubs.

The United States supreme court denied the application for a writ of habeas corpus in Kemmler's case, who is under sentence of death in New York by electricity, but will, on May 19, hear a motion for a writ of error.

Capt. Weston, who has charge of the distribution of rations to sufferers from the recent floods states that he has expended $38,000 of the $50,000 placed to his credit and asks that $50,000 more be added to the fund.

Isaac H. Vincent, the defaulting state treasurer of Alabama, now serving a fifteen years' sentence in the Pratt coal mine, has been elected treasurer by his fellow-convicts, some of whom carry money by extra work.

M. K. Goldman of Memphis shot and mortally wounded J. W. Howard of St. Louis at the European hotel, Atlanta, Ga. Howard thought he was bound to die and acknowledged that his true name was Edmund Skinner.

Herbert C. Stout, a Minnesota mail robber, who was sufficiently sane to successfully play the insane roll and enjoy the luxuries of an asylum for several months, has been pronounced all right by physicians, who say he was never crazy. He will now be tried for mail robbery.

The United States steamer Howell, which has been in charge of the relief committee, ran into the bridge of the Vicksburg, Shreveport and Pacific railroad while endeavoring to rescue distressed flood sufferers, completely wrecking herself, damaging the bridge severely and entailing loss of life.

A South Carolina colored rapist was removed from Lexington to Columbus for safe keeping. Lexington citizens made the governor believe the proceedings would injure the town in the estimation of the outside world and induced him to have the prisoner returned, promising to see that he was taken care of. He was returned but he has since been found dead with a rope around his neck.

At the quadrennial general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church south, held at St. Louis, the following states and territories were represented: Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, California, Georgia, Louisiana, Kansas, North Carolina, South Carolina, Maryland, Mississippi, Montana, Kentucky, Texas, Indian Territory, Tennessee, Oregon, Virginia, West Virginia, Illinois, Arizona Territory and Brazil and Mexico.

FOREIGN.

The strike of railway porters in Ireland is over.

A riot was quelled recently in Pesth by the military.

The Spanish senate has approved universal suffrage.

Senor Anostega, Mexican minister to Belgium, died at Brussels.

Capt. Castia, the African explorer, has entered the German service.

Emperor William is expected to spend three weeks in St. Petersburg.

The German bundesrath has accepted the colonial and military bills.

The Spanish strikes are collapsing except in Barcelona and in Valencia.

Robert Flewy Doyen, the French painter, is dead. He was 93 years old.

No agreement is reached between the strikers and mill masters in north France.

Famine is spreading in portions of Africa, and Massohouri is being depopulated.

Tranquility prevails in the Spanish provinces, but the strikes are spreading in Valencia.

There is a strike in the Austrian railway factories at Vienna, Prague, Pesth and Temervar.

Mayday passed quietly in Paris. The arrests and detentions over night were only 150, all told.

The hurricane which prevailed last week caused serious damage to shipping at Montevideo.

A fourth expedition leaves Valparaiso to hunt for buried treasure in the Cocos islands, Pacific ocean.

The striking bakers in Vienna have returned to work, a large number of military bakers having arrived.

The northwest territories bill passed the dominion parliament with the dual language clause knocked out.

A capitalist at Weimar, Germany, was sentenced to nine months' imprisonment for insulting an American girl.

Hamburg workmen to the number of 9000 were dismissed from work for absenting themselves on May day.

The experiment with sugar-beet seed from central Germany and Bohemia has been very successful in Ontario.

The Pesth bakers are out and 1500 are encamped in tents on an island in the Danube with abundant provisions.

Workmen at Barcelona, Spain, condemn the anarchist movement and advocate immediate resumption of work.

A severe drouth is prevailing in Cuba, and there is not a single plantation on the island that has not suffered from fire.

A motion to disestablish the church of Scotland was rejected in the British commons. The vote standing 356 to 218.

Five hundred disorderly men rallied on the Thames embankment bent on mischief, but were overawed by the police.

The strike of the employes of the Austrian railway has been settled, the authorities conceding higher wages to the men.

The director of the imperial railway shops at Vienna stated he would dismiss all hands who would not at once resume work.

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THURSDAY, MAY 15, 1890

EDITORIALS.

Hogg.

Hogg and hominy.

Scotch the juggernaut.

Hogg and a just railroad traffic.

Give the people a commission.

Geo. Clark is against the interests of the people.

This ought to be the year of jubilee.

"In your patience possess ye your souls."

The strike for the nine-hour rule at Dallas is still in progress.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found a statement from the C. C. D. committee.

To make a paper weight, neglect to pay up your subscription dues.—Chatter.

The Methodist conference assembled in St. Louis last week.

Akron, O., was struck by a cyclone last Saturday, and a hundred houses wrecked, but no one was killed.

It takes a commission to check railroad discrimination, and don't you fail to keep this in mind.

Now that Gov. Throckmorton has withdrawn from the gubernatorial race, our choice is for Hogg.

Senator Beck of Kentucky dropped dead Saturday the 7th inst., in the Baltimore and Potomac railway station at Washington.

Hogg's address has been pronounced one of the finest products in the political arena since the days of Jefferson. It has the true ring.

The Texas voters will ask all opposing candidates to Hogg to please sit down for this term, and the next election they may—may—set down again.

Texas wants men who know what laws to enact for the good of the people, and then enact them; and men who know naught but to enforce those laws faithfully.

Mr. B. B. Paddock of Fort Worth is trying to convert Mr. Gibbs to the anti commission side. Well, Barney has done one good act, at least; and that is to advocate Hogg and the commission.

Merchants who laud printer's ink as the secret of success should demonstrate that fact by advertising in the DEMOCRAT. Listen! It has the largest circulation of any paper in Collin county, and has a larger distribution in the county than the entire circulation of any other paper.

To Fort Worth Gazette: Aren't you satisfied? You have gotten the Southern Baptist Convention, the Woman's convention, the State Sunday School and State prohibition conventions, together with the Spring Palace, all in one week; have had the editor's of Texas come "in a bunch" to see you and what more do you want?

A Psychological Demonstration.

Texas is now having a fine demonstration of psychical force. The railroad powers are pulling the invisible, mysterious chord, the workings of which are not clear to the eyes of the people, but its results are bare to the gaze of the voters, pointing with unerring certainty to the end desired by them—the enthrallment and enslavement of Texas. This psychical force has a power in moving certain politicians and journals, and notwithstanding the information and intelligence of the people, when Gould and his allies draw this subtle force, those politicians appear to bob up as serenely and irresistibly as a jumping jack's answer to the pull of a string.

It is patent to the minds of the people that the commission is one of the greatest necessities that Texas could call for. It's urgent creation as the only source of protection against outrageous injustice has been so clearly shwon that a "wayfaring man, though a fool," can not fail to see it is the saviour of Texas from the iron heel of monopoly. From the series of articles by Tom Brown, from the unbiased investigations and promulgation of Attorney General Hogg, and from the honest statements of Gov. Throckmorton, there is a pyramid of facts and figures, which overshadow and blind the futile arguments of the opposition. This bulwark of defense for the people stands in all its grandeur and will not down at the operation of the psychic force of railroad magnates, who are manipulating their mouth-pieces through this force. Anti-commission advocates proclaim to the people of Texas the clearly defined fact that their advocacy of anti-commission prove they are bound by a psychical force of evil, from which it appears they cannot free themselves. This influence reaches from the palatial abodes of Gould and others, out as far as their railroads run and even as far as projected roads will run. Ah! what power in psychical force over the souls of men! What controls men in the matter of right and wrong? It may sometimes be by material forces, but in this age of peace and the free expression of thought, material forces have been abandoned and the more subtle power of this invisible, undefined process is used by men to deceive and injure the masses of the people. As influences for good press their power upon the hearts of persons restraining them from evil, as, for instance, the influence of a mother's love and teaching restrains her son from walking in wicked channels, so the influences from evil sources often binds the lives of men to the very juggernaut of hell, and although such men know, in the secret chambers of their souls, that the course they are pursuing is wrong and injurious to others, yet this mighty power binds them as with a band of steel.

We pause to ask the question and let politicians answer, Is there not a strong, powerful psychological force at work in Texas, the result of which is impelling men to act against the well being of the farmer, placing him under the control of railroad domination? Can you deny it? Is not the interest of the people involved? Answer candidly. As we have intimated, this force which is moving certain politicians cannot be seen nor explained, but its results are manifest to all. Therefore, the conclusion is, that some men are bound to this influence and will oppose the commission. So then the voters of Texas must beware! Try the men and see if they are free and willing to act for the interests of their constituents, and if they are found otherwise, set them aside and select men who will do justly.

It is a fact which cannot be hid, that the period in American politics has arrived when men know how to act. If they fail to act wisely in their choice of men they are to blame, and not monopoly. Therefore, we urge our fellow-citizens to let no scales of promises be put over their eyes by men who they KNOW are not for the interest of the people.

GOV. THROCKMORTON RETIRES.

Tuesday morning's Dallas News contained the formal withdrawal of Gov. Throckmorton as a candidate for governor of Texas. The direct cause of his withdrawal is poor health and physical inability to stand a canvass of the state. The people would love to have honored him with the office as a feeble recognition of their high appreciation of his worth, but circumstances over which neither the governor nor the people had control will deny the latter the opportunity of placing him at the helm of state. However, Gov. Throckmorton is one of the few men of Texas who holds a high place in the hearts and affections of the people of this state, and while he unavoidably retired from public servitude, the sympathies of Texas will cluster about him, and in affection and esteem they will bear him up in tenderest regard, and in a golden niche of memory's casket, as long as Texas shall endure, will give him an abiding place with all the bright and hallowed associations of honor, truth, valor and heroic deeds wrought in the interest of this grand Lone Star State. As one takes a retrospective view of the political history of Texas, in the active days of Gov. Throckmorton's life, every event of interest to the people, before which one pauses, is observed standing upon the side of right this grand man; every principle of justice found in him a strong supporter. He has been loyal; he is still loyal, and while he has stepped aside, Texas will ever honor him for what he has done in aiding to make her the grandest state in the constellation of states.

A delegation of citizens from New Mexico has been in Washington working to secure statehood for that territory. They claim a population of 75,000, and property valuation to the amount of $80,000,000.

The Texas Carton's representaion of the political situation is good enough for Puck or the Judge. George Clark as a ringmaster wielding the whip and placing the anti-commission forces in line can be read even by people who never heard of a school.—Southern Mercury.

Burglaries have been on a boom the past week in the various towns in Texas.

Bois d' Arc Community.

BOIS D' ARC, May 10, 1890.
Editor of the Democrat.

We are having fine weather now and we are tusseling with the burrs. The farmers are all smiling like an opossum in "simmon" time. The farmers are through planting cotton and some are plowing their cotton. Corn is growing nicely, but the burrs are about to get "the go" on it.

The roads are getting passable once more. Oh, we are so glad, too. We can take our old "beeswax" buggy riding, and have lot's of fun.

Snakes are numerous. Mr. Kennedy killed one Sunday afternoon which measured five feet and six inches from head to tip of tail.

Chief Warden of McKinney visited our community Sunday afternoon.

We had a severe wind storm Saturday evening, but it did no serious damage.

Pedra Wilmeth visited our neighborhood this week.

Capt. Weiggle was out from town Sunday looking after his stock. He is one of our most enterprising stock raisers. Success to the captain.

Wilson creek is full of fish. There were seven persons fishing at one place, and I don't know how many more were up and down the creek. Some parties caught 75 pounds of fish the other day. That's pretty good for Wilson creek.

Ed Kirkland, one of our accomplished farmers, has the best crop of corn in the neighborhood.

Uncle Al Scroggins is very ill. He has been sick for some time. He is not expected to live long, but there is a brighter world than this for good men like him. Everybody ought to do good, for he does not know what is in store for him.

ORPHAN BOY.

The ladies met at the Methodist church last Tuesday for the purpose of devising ways and means of putting the graveyard in good condition. The DEMOCRAT wishes them unbounded success in this noble endeavor.

Railroad Regulation.

[BY HON TOM J. BROWN]

NO. 12.

At the last session of the legislature a bill was reported from the committee on internal improvement creating a railroad commission for the state. It passed the house of representatives by a vote of more than two-thirds, but when it went into the senate it was virtually defeated by being postponed to a day when it could not be considered. During the debate in the house and the senate the opposition to the measure took the ground that under the present constitution the legislature could not confer upon the commission the power to fix and establish rates of freght on the railroads. Some of the members and also of the senate claimed that they were in favor of the measure if it were not for the constitutional difficulty. The majority of the house and a large number of the senate believed that the constitution presented no obstacle to the passage of the bill. In the senate a resolution was offered to amend the constitution so as to remove the supposed difficulty and while those who did not admit that there was a difficulty they agreed at the instance of those who did believe to submit the amendment to the people, not to confer power on the legislature to pass the bill, but in order to relieve the consciences of those who differed from them.

It is a strange condition of things that some of those who sought the submission of the amendment are now opposing its adoption claiming that the vote upon it is to be the test of the wishes of the people as to the creation of a commission. It ought not to be admitted that this is the case, and in fact it is not so. Every artifice will be resorted to compass the defeat of this measure. It is now claimed that the amendment is not needed and that the issue made by it is not whether a commission shall be created but whether or not a certain bill shall become a law. If these ingenious gentlemen can get up differences as to provisions of that bill, through misrepresentations of its provisions and thus having made a false issue, succeed in defeating the amendment they will claim that it is a repudiation by the people of the whole commission idea. It is now claimed by some of the opposition that the legislature has full power to create a commission under the present constitution, but when the amendment is defeated, if it should be, these same gentlemen will claim that the character of the commission authorized in the constitution is such as to be of no value to the people.

While the bill that was passed by the house is not an issue in this canvass, nor is any particular bill, it is true that any law which is effective and valuable in correcting the existing evil must embody the main features of that bill. The issue in the canvass is and should be made sharply, the creation of a commission to regulate freight rates and exercise proper control over the operations of the railroads in this state. It is not true that the defeat of the amendment will prevent the passage of a commission bill at the next session of the legislature. If the members to be elected shall be in favor of a commission and the governor shall believe that the present constitution presents no obstacle to the creation of, one the people can have it notwithstanding the amendment may be defeated.

The democratic party will be morally and logically responsible for the continuance of present condition of things, and should, therefore, control the policy of the state. It is and will be in control of the state government and in case a majority of the members of the legislature shall be favorable to a commission it ought not to be held that it will be precluded from exercising the power which the constitution vests in that body, by reason of the adverse action of those who are not charged with the discharge of the duties imposed by that instrument. If therefore, a minority of the democratic party by combining with the republican vote, and with the aid of corporation influence and money shall succeed in defeating the proposed amennment it would be taking the expressed wish of a minority of the party as the guide for party action on this measure.

Every democrat should support the amendment whether he is in favor of the commission or not because he ought to be willing to place his party in a position to redeem its pledges to the people and to give force and effect to the will of the majority. This is in accordance with the true doctrines of the party. Let all such fight out in the party conventions, in making selections of candidates, the question of a commission or not and submit to the result, whatever that may be.

Each friend of a railroad commission should work diligently for the adoption of the amendment because it will have the effect to strengthen the measure in the legislature by relieving some of those who favor a commission but honestly differ from the majority, and in a greater degree will it give this aid by taking away from those who affect so to believe the hiding place behind which they shield themselves from the consequences of open opposition to the public will. It will at the same time remove every pretext for a contest of the measure before the courts either state or federal but more especially the latter.

The position is taken that the amendment if adopted will be mandatory upon the legislature to create a commission. The form of the amendment itself and the circumstances of its submission do not justify such a conclusion. Under its provision the legislature may pass a rate bill or adopt any other method of regulation. It is no more mandatory than the present constitution, which has been in force for nearly fourteen years, and has been disregarded. Do not rely upon such a proposition, but be careful in the selection of your officers, both of the state and members of the legislature, especially the senate, to elect men who believe in a commission for its own merits, because he who acts from a sense of duty against his wishes and inclinations will be but a poor advocate of the measure. The complexion of the legislature will be a much better index to the will of the people than any vote on the amendment proposed.

The democratic party, as before stated, is in control of the state government and will so continue. It follows, therefore, that the fate of the commission measure depends in a large measure upon the nominees at the state convention at San Antonio for three offices. The governor will exercise a great influence over the action of the legislature, and more particularly the senate; besides he will recommend such measure as he may deem best. The veto power is equivalent to two-thirds of the legislature in its effect upon legislation. The lieutenant governor will appoint the committee to which the measure will be committed in the the senate, and this is of first importance; besides, in case of a tie vote he will have the decision of the question. The attorney-general will be the legal adviser of the commission if created, and must be active in the prosecution of the corporations in case of any violation of the law. These three officers are of special importance in the coming election. As to the other state offiers, they will not take active part in the legislation that creates the law, nor in its execution But they will exercise no small influence over the minds of the members, and it is better to have the whole family friends than divided, and there is no reason why they should not be so selected.

As the people are the source of all political power, so in party organization the primaries are the means through which that power must be effectively exercised. If the primaries fall into wrong hands, the result is wrong all the way through.

I, therefore, take the liberty in closing this series of articles, to appeal to every democrat to go to the primaries in his voting precinct and to take active part in selecting delegates to the county conventions. Do not rely upon constructions, for they are of little value as controlling power over unwilling minds. Select from your number men that really and in sentiment represent your views to attend the county conventions—men who will go. Let the county conventions do likewise with regard to the delegates to the state convention. It is to be held at a great distance from the most populous part of the state, and it will be difficult to get men to attend who are in earnest about the matter of railroad regulation. Be sure to send no one who is not right on this subject. If you are in favor of it let your representative be a commission man at heart. If opposed, the same rule should govern you. Those who are opposed will need no urging, however, they will be there in full force and often in disguise. You will be urged to send delegates from the county at large, and to add Mr. A, Mr. B and Mr. C. to the delegation. This is no time for compliments, but it is best to select your number of delegates that you know, confine it to that and prohibit proxies to be given to any except to another of the delegation selected by you. For once, let the rank and file of the party be heard in the convention that its policy and nominations represent the interests of the masses of the people of the state.

We may expect that every power that the railroads can bring to bear will be felt at San Antonio and every means resorted to for the purpose of bewildering and confusing the delegates. A long protracted fight may be expected, and those who seek to reform the state administration upon the railroad question must go prepared to stand the pressure and to stay until the battle is fought to the finish.

Musings at Eventide

Princeton May, 10, 1890.

The wind bloweth where it listeth and ye hear the sound there of, but ye canst tell from whence it cometh or whither it goeth, so is every one that seeketh after office. They meet you on the road, in the field, at church, in town, and they have their faces "kivered with smiles," and tell you they are your friends.—men who six months ago would meet you on the street without even a nod of recognition, are now hunting the "dear people;" men who claim to be followers of the "meek and lowly" Jefferson are asking our republican friends for their assistance and support. Such work as this is an abomination unto the Lord and a curse to the cause.

We read with interest a lengthy communication in the Enquirer of recent date by the "Constitutional flopper" on the political issues of the county and our minds went back to the time when that writer paraded the streets of McKinney in a wagon, drawn by a number of gray horses, and proclaimed to the people, in thunder tones, the merits of the cause he is now trying to defeat; but alas! he has fallen from grace; he could not stand the siren's song.

Our city by the railroad is quiet now and free from the political storms and demonstrations that threaten our sister cities. Here democracy has free course and is glorified; here the hooting of the owl and the hum of the mosquito disturbs the rest of the wayfaring man, though a fool. Here the wild bird buildeth its nest in the trees on the square, and the finny tribe seeketh their sequestered nooks in our fish ponds. All is rest and quietude. Here the people worship God according to the dictation of their own consciences—and the dictations are many. Here the people are cradled in the camp of prosperity and reared in the lap of luxury, If there ever was a time when the Goddess of Liberty smiled on the people it is now. "Taxation without representation" is unknown here in this broad land of civil liberty and religious freedom. Our people have their smoke houses in St. Louis and Chicago and are content to draw rations therefrom, and our county officials pulleth the man who useth cuss words on the public highway. Here in this Sunny Southland, the zephyr breezes of monopoly fan the sunburnt cheek of labor and railroad sharks run our government. Close your eyes, dear people, to the defects of our government, gently recline into the outstretched arms of destruction and be lulled to sleep by the sweet tones of the slick-tongued politician.

Pay tribute to Cæsar when he demands it, as long as you can and when all other resources fail, go mortgage your farm to some "good firm" and be easy for the time cometh and now is when the people will be ruled by the ruthless hand of despotism. Then man goeth to his long home, the laborer cryeth: "Oh, monopoly, how long wilt thou persecute us!" The echo answereth until our government is sapped to its foundation, and our political outlook blighted. Go the ant thou sluggard, consider her ways and be wise.

We are quietly waiting for the time when liberty shall stand with her foot firmly planted on the neck of tyranny and declare that peace is come and oppression is at an end, when the clouds over shadowing our political sky shall pass away and we can dwell in a sunny land of prosperity, where the will of the people is law.

COUNTRY BOY.

The Texas Spring Palace was formally opened last Saturday. It is one of the grandest institutions of Texas, and the product of the enterprising people of Fort Worth.

HOGG THE NEXT CHOICE.

McKinney Tex., May, 14, 1890.
Editor Democrat.

The favorite son of old Collin, by Nature's law, was forced to decline the race for governor. While his many friends are grieved over his misfortune, the will of Heaven must be obeyed. Throckmorton was the first choice of old Collin for governor. Now that he has withdrawn Hogg is the first choice, providing justice can be had, which we think is doubtful under the present rule of controlling primary conventions. For proof of this see four candidates who were defeated in the last primary convention that was held after having obtained a majority of voters as claimed by them. Also in the congressional race between Hare and Wellborn. Hare could have beaten Wellborn five to one in a fair count, and let Collin county defeat him. Ask Esq. Coffey. He is a straight democrat and will tell you how it was done. The same click that opposed Hare then is opposed to him now, because he is favoring the people in their fight against railroads. The local railroad advocates say they want a conservative man for governor. That both McDonald and Hogg are on the extreme I cant see anything extreme about Hogg's speech. He wants to squeeze the water out of the railroad stock pressing it down from $60.000 per mile to less than $15.000 per mile its actual cost, at the same time allow them good dividends for their investments. Is that extreme? Would an honest man ask more? Does an honest people want to rob the railroads? Can the farmers stand to give $100,000,000 annually more than is due the railroads?

The railroad advocates say they want no commission because a commission of three men wil sell out to the railroads. This is an open confession that railroads will resort to fraud to carry their point.

The latest move among the railroad advocates is to persuade some strong commission man to enter the race against Hogg. Some want Brown and others want Seth Shepherd to run. This scheme is to lock the convention in order to nominate an anti commission man.

Now gentlemen let us lay aside all prejudice and do justice between the farmer and railroads let commission men stand firm and head off all schemes to defert the will of the people.

JNO. JOHNSON.

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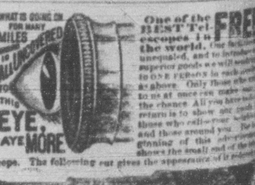

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DEMOCRAT SUPPLEMENT.

McKINNEY, TEXAS, MAY 15, 1890.

Mr. John Melton was in the city Saturday last.

Mr. W. D. Chapman was in the city Saturday.

Mr. H. M. Rollins of Farmersville was in McKinney last Saturday.

Mr. John Y. Bowen was in the city last Saturday attending the C. C. D E. C.

J. B. Jett, the unredonbtable, enlivened the spirits of his friends of McKinney last Saturday by his Bill Arp'c presence.

Mr. Geo. Wilson, who lives east of the city, while riding near Burris' gin, was thrown from a horse and had his wrist sprained.

The Baptist Sunday School appointed a committee last Sunday to make arrangements for a nice time for the children, some time next week, out in the country. That committee will report next Sunday.

Elder D. W. Pritchett preached an interesting sermon Sunday morning. His text was, "In your patience possess ye your souls," and his theme was, "Self control." It was a fine effort.

Last Sunday was a lovely day and the people turned out at the different churches in large crowds. Rev. Bennett Hatcher being absent at the Baptist convention in Ft. Worth there were no services at the Baptist church. All the other ministers occupied their pulpits and were greeted with good and ences.

Walter Kinsolving, who for a year worked in the DEMOCRAT office and for several months held a position on the Examiner, left Saturday night for Decatur, Wise county, where he goes to take a position on a paper in that town. We bespeak for him much success and commend him to the people of Decatur as a steady sober, upright young man, a good compositor and reliable in the fulfillment of his duties. Success to you, Walter, in your new home.

Mr. Silas Perkins preached a sermon last Sunday night based on the words, "Come and see." It was a splendid discourse, and showed that he was conversant with science and philosophy. He presented in a parallel form, physical and psychical forces and showed that the latter could be understood as well as the former. The effort of his arguments were to show that the Christian world did KNOW that Jesus Christ was their Savior as well as they knew a mother's love restrained her son from entering wrecked channels in life, or as well as the world knows that Aristotle and other great writers influenced the life of Gladstone. He said man cannot see physical force nor psychical force, but only the results of each and that the results of the one is just as patent to the minds of men as the other. He closed with suggesting the fact that the influence of Jesus Christ was shaking the whole world, and was the stone cut out of the mountain which will roll on until it conquers the world.

On last Thursday night an accident occurred at Mr. Willis Howell's residence on South Chestnut steet, which came very near resulting seriously. His little son was toying with a pistol before retiring for the night, when as usual the pistol was accidentaly discharged, the ball passing through the arm of a older brother. The wound was a painful one; the little fellow though is doing well at this time and will in a short time be on his feet as a boy again. Children should not be allowed firearms under any circumstances, not even as toys.

Co. E. K. Rudolph of the Greenville Headlight and his brother, J. K. Rudolph of the Greenville Herald, were visitors to McKinney last week.

Mr J. C. Caldwell, the genial resident of Princeton, graced our sanctum sanctorium last Saturday.

Jesse Brown and lady of Weston were in the city Wednesday.

The total appropriation to the sufferers' fund by congress, to be applied in aiding the unfortunates of the recent flood in Louisiana, Mississippi, Arkansas and Tennessee, is $150,000.

☞Attend the grand auction at the Racket Store next Saturday.

Dr. J. E. Gibson left last Tuesday morning for Athens, Tenn., where he goes to visit his parents and the scenes of his boyhood days. On his return he will stop at Nashville to attend a medical meeting. The DEMOCRAT wishes him a pleasant visit and a safe return.

☞Ladies nice side combs 15 and 25 cents at the Nickel Store.

Dr. Avant of Weston was in the city Wednesday.

☞Neckties 25 cents at the Nickel Store.

Mrs. Wade and Mrs. Thompson of Weston were in the city shopping Wednesday.

☞Scarfs 10 to 25 cents at the Nickel Store.

Woodward, the man charged with the murder of Nick Horn at Carthage, Mo, was tried a short time since and acequitted, the evidence not being sufficient to condemn him.

Mrs Laura Willis left here last Saturday with her little daughter for Fort Worth. While on the train at Dallas she disappeared from her It is suppo ed that her former husband, Ally Mallow the father of the child has it in his posession.

Dont fail to attend the memorial services at Rowlett church

Mr. John Johnson, Jr., while splitting a stick of wood last Monday morning, struck the stick with his axe a little too far to the star-board, when it flew up with considerable force striking the cap of his knee. It hurt pretty badly, but by application of turpentine he was soon relieved of the pain, but limped around sometime from the effects of the blow

...p on hand fresh drugs, ...ent medicines of all kinds. ...o toilet articles of any description; in fact, everything ...he drug line. Call and see ...m, east side of the square.

☞Great variety of children ...ts at M. Aron's

...esse Shain is building a nice ...age on North Kentucky ...et.

☞Save from three to four ...llars by buying your spring ...s at M Aron's.

...harlie Parker, the talented ...st of the Sherman Register, ...visiting in McKinney on ... Sunday.

☞Don't buy your spring ... before looking at M. ...on's.

...allas Sparlin has bought ... the city hotel.

...McKinney ... boom, but she "gets there just the same."

☞Bargains in dress goods at M. Aron's.

J. N. Smith of Weston was in the city Tuesday.

☞Fine display of spring clothing at M. Aron's

Some of the side walks in the city are being repaired. Let the good work go on.

Little Paul Magner had his hand severely cut with an ice pick a few days ago, while at work at Mr. Rutledge's store

For Sale.

Fifty-acre farm, well improved, water and pasture, well located. A bargain can be had in this place. Call on

J. S. JENKINS,
McKinney, Tex.

...lows it's introduction ... makes it very popular. 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by Bristol Bros.

The Spring Palace at Fort Worth is now in full blast and the "karporama" again astonishes visitors.

I bought a 50 cent bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and applied it to my limbs, which have been afflicted with rheumatism at intervals for one year. At the time I bought the Pain Balm I was unable to walk. I can truthfully say that Pain Balm has completely cured me. R. H. Farr, Holywood, Kan. Mr A. W. Cox, the leading druggist at Holywood, vouches for the truth of the above statement.

Try Sugar Chill Cure, sold on a guarantee, the only chill medicine on the market that is perfectly tasteless. Call on your druggist for it. Bristol Bros.

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...ure in informing ... I will from this ...ptember 1st, sell ... and notions at ...arry, during the ..., the choice new ...ts and bonnets and ...gs necessary for ... Wednesday and ... each week I will ... sales in goods in... ...ttern hats. Extend... ...ordial invitation to ...ee that I mean the ...n respectfully,

FANNIE JOHNSON.

...aced Hopeless, Yet Saved.

From a letter written by Mrs. Ada E. Hurd of Gordon, S. D., we quote: "Was taken with a bad cold, which settled on my lungs, cough set in and finally terminated in consumption. I gave myself up to my Saviour, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's Discovery for consumption, coughs, and colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles; it has cured me and thank God I am now a well and hearty woman." Trial bottles free at E. N. McAuley & Bro.'s, druggists; regular size, 50 cents and $1.

☞Ladies give us a look before you buy your summer hats. We will save you money

M. ARON.

C. C. D. Committee.

To the voters of Collin county. A proposition looking to harmony and reconciliation of two factions of the democratic party in the county was presented to the executive committee at its meeting held April 19, 1890. at the court-house in McKinney.

The manner in which the proposition was disposed of by that committee indicates the purpose of the leaders of the straight democratic party to ignore all honorable efforts at reconciliation and that there is nothing left in that direction for the honest independent voters of Collin county but to servilely submit to the dictation of a few political bosses. Are you willing to do this?

Owing to the unavailable absence of our chairman, W. H. Brummett, we think best to postpone any action by the committee at the present time, but an early meeting of this committee will be held to take such action as the interests of the public demands, of which due notice will be given by the the chairman of this executive committee. J.Y. BOWEN

Chairman, pro. tem.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

As mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surface. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken inte nally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co.

☞Sold by druggists, price 75 cents per bottle.

Drunkenness—Liquor Habit—In all the World There is But One Cure,

DR. HAINES' GOLDEN SPECIFIC.

It can be given in a cup of tea or coffee without the knowledge of the person taking it, effecting a speedy and permanent cure, whether the patient is a moderate drinker or an alcoholic wreck. Thousands of drunkards have been cured who have taken the Golden Specific in their coffee without their knowledge, and to-day believe they quit drinking of their own free will. No harmful effect results from its administration. Cures guaranteed. Send for circular and full particulars. Address in confidence, GOLDEN SPECIFIC Co., 185 Race street, Cincinnati, O.

☞New millinery at M. Aron's.

For Sale, Cheap.

Lot 29x100 feet, in McKinney, with two-story brick house; first floor occupied as postoffice, second floor as family residence. Will sell for cash, or on easy terms at low rate of interest, or will take a small farm as part payment, and balance in note to suit purchaser. Premises now rented for a year at $50 per month. Apply to

W. S. SPROLES,
505 Main street, Dallas, Tex.

We are more than pleased to see our friend Geo. Galloway up again, after a serious spell of fever.

Some of the Grand Army boys may be interested in the following from Alex. B. Pope, A. D. C., Commander, Dep't. Tenn. and Ga. He says; "We have had an epidemic of whooping cough here, (Stewart, Tenn.,) and Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been the only medicine that has done any good." There is no danger from whooping cough, when this remedy is freely given. It completely controls the disease. 50 cent bottles for sale by Bristal Bros.

Owing to sickness in his family Mr. T. C Perry failed to attend the Baptist convention at Fort Worth.

☞Special prices in ladies' hats at M. Aron's.

For Seven Long Years

I suffered untold agonies with my left leg which was afflicted with a large ulcer that eat away the flesh, leaving the bone visible, which was attende by the most excruciating pain; so great was the pain that I was forced to take six grains of mophine daily. I was induced to try Dr. Thurmond's Lone Star Blood Syrup and after taking nine bottles I can say that I am entirely cured. am 65 years old and we gh 177 pounds to day WILLIAM CURRY.
Gainesvill, Texas.

Sugar Chill Cure is as sweet as sugar; children cry for it; don't fail to try it. A sure cure. Bristol Bros.

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TEXAS,

And return, good until June 3, 1890, one fare for the round trip. This low rate is made by the M., K. & T. R'y on account of the Texas

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The Best Salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns and all skin eruptions and positively cures Piles, or no money required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale By E N McAULAY and Bro

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☞Milk pails 10 to 25 cents at the Nickel Store.

☞R. M. Board is still on deck with a large stock of dry-goods which he will sell cheap to the farmers of Collin county.

☞Good sized dish pan 25c at Nickel Store.

☞Go to R. M. Board and be convinced that he handles the best goods on the market.

☞Take your family to the Nickel Store and let them see something nice.

☞See R. M. Board before purchasing your summer wear. He will sell to you cheap.

☞The rush is to see R. M. Board's mammoth stock of dry-goods.

☞Storms and floods have come and gone leaving R. M. Board with a large stock of dry goods to be sold at the lowest prices.

☞Don't forget the auction at the Racket Store next Saturday.

☞Gentlemens handkerchiefs 5 and 10 cents at the Nickel Store.

☞Ladies hats trimmed in order at M. Aron's.

For any disease arising from impure blood take Dr. Thurmond's Lone Star Blood Syrup, the greatest blood medicine on earth. Bristol Bros.

☞Spend your cash at R. M. Board's and get bargains in dry goods.

☞We are headquarters for housekeeping supplies, furniture, stoves, queensware, pocket cutlery and everything else necessary to make up a complete outfit, and cheaper than any other house in North Texas. Give us a call, opposite postoffice. NALE & DIES.

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For money and annual interest at 9 and 10 per cent. for thee, four and five years, see,

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THURSDAY, MAY 15, 1890

EDITORIALS.

Hogg.

Hogg and hominy.

Scotch the juggernaut.

Hogg and a just railroad traffic.

Give the people a commission.

Geo. Clark is against the interests of the people.

This ought to be the year of jubilee.

"In your patience possess ye your souls."

The strike for the nine-hour rule at Dallas is still in progress.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found a statement from the C. C. D. committee.

To make a paper weight, neglect to pay up your subscription dues.—Chatter.

The Methodist conference assembled in St. Louis last week.

Akron, O., was struck by a cyclone last Saturday, and a hundred houses wrecked, but no one was killed.

It takes a commission to check railroad discrimination, and don't you fail to keep this in mind.

Now that Gov. Throckmorton has withdrawn from the gubernatorial race, our choice is for Hogg.

Senator Beck of Kentucky dropped dead Saturday the 7th inst., in the Baltimore and Potomac railway station at Washington.

Hogg's address has been pronounced one of the finest products in the political arena since the days of Jefferson. It has the true ring.

The Texas voters will ask all opposing candidates to Hogg to please sit down for this term, and the next election they may—may—set down again.

Texas wants men who know what laws to enact for the good of the people, and then enact them; and men who know naught but to enforce those laws faithfully.

Mr. B. B. Paddock of Fort Worth is trying to convert Mr. Gibbs to the anti commission side. Well, Barney has done one good act, at least; and that is to advocate Hogg and the commission.

Merchants who laud printer's ink as the secret of success should demonstrate that fact by advertising in the DEMOCRAT. Listen! It has the largest circulation of any paper in Collin county, and has a larger distribution in the county than the entire circulation of any other paper.

To Fort Worth Gazette: Aren't you satisfied? You have gotten the Southern Baptist Convention, the Woman's convention, the State Sunday School and State prohibition conventions, together with the Spring Palace, all in one week; have had the editor's of Texas come "in a bunch" to see you and what more do you want?

A Psychological Demonstration.

Texas is now having a fine demonstration of psychical force. The railroad powers are pulling the invisible, mysterious chord, the workings of which are not clear to the eyes of the people, but its results are bare to the gaze of the voters, pointing with unerring certainty to the end desired by them—the enthrallment and enslavement of Texas. This psychical force has a power in moving certain politicians and journals, and notwithstanding the information and intelligence of the people, when Gould and his allies draw this subtle force, those politicians appear to bob up as serenely and irresistibly as a jumping jack's answer to the pull of a string.

It is patent to the minds of the people that the commission is one of the greatest necessities that Texas could call for. It's urgent creation as the only source of protection against outrageous injustice has been so clearly shwon that a "wayfaring man, though a fool," can not fail to see it is the saviour of Texas from the iron heel of monopoly. From the series of articles by Tom Brown, from the unbiased investigations and promulgation of Attorney General Hogg, and from the honest statements of Gov. Throckmorton, there is a pyramid of facts and figures, which overshadow and blind the futile arguments of the opposition. This bulwark of defense for the people stands in all its grandeur and will not down at the operation of the psychic force of railroad magnates, who are manipulating their mouth-pieces through this force. Anti-commission advocates proclaim to the people of Texas the clearly defined fact that their advocacy of anti-commission prove they are bound by a psychical force of evil, from which it appears they cannot free themselves. This influence reaches from the palatial abodes of Gould and others, out as far as their railroads run and even as far as projected roads will run. Ah! what power in psychical force over the souls of men! What controls men in the matter of right and wrong? It may sometimes be by material forces, but in this age of peace and the free expression of thought, material forces have been abandoned and the more subtle power of this invisible, undefined process is used by men to deceive and injure the masses of the people. As influences for good press their power upon the hearts of persons restraining them from evil, as, for instance, the influence of a mother's love and teaching restrains her son from walking in wicked channels, so the influences from evil sources often binds the lives of men to the very juggernaut of hell, and although such men know, in the secret chambers of their souls, that the course they are pursuing is wrong and injurious to others, yet this mighty power binds them as with a band of steel.

We pause to ask the question and let politicians answer, Is there not a strong, powerful psychological force at work in Texas, the result of which is impelling men to act against the well being of the farmer, placing him under the control of railroad domination? Can you deny it? Is not the interest of the people involved? Answer candidly. As we have intimated, this force which is moving certain politicians cannot be seen nor explained, but its results are manifest to all. Therefore, the conclusion is, that some men are bound to this influence and will oppose the commission. So then the voters of Texas must beware! Try the men and see if they are free and willing to act for the interests of their constituents, and if they are found otherwise, set them aside and select men who will do justly.

It is a fact which cannot be hid, that the period in American politics has arrived when men know how to act. If they fail to act wisely in their choice of men they are to blame, and not monopoly. Therefore, we urge our fellow-citizens to let no scales of promises be put over their eyes by men who they KNOW are not for the interest of the people.

GOV. THROCKMORTON RETIRES.

Tuesday morning's Dallas News contained the formal withdrawal of Gov. Throckmorton as a candidate for governor of Texas. The direct cause of his withdrawal is poor health and physical inability to stand a canvass of the state. The people would love to have honored him with the office as a feeble recognition of their high appreciation of his worth, but circumstances over which neither the governor nor the people had control will deny the latter the opportunity of placing him at the helm of state. However, Gov. Throckmorton is one of the few men of Texas who holds a high place in the hearts and affections of the people of this state, and while he unavoidably retired from public servitude, the sympathies of Texas will cluster about him, and in affection and esteem they will bear him up in tenderest regard, and in a golden niche of memory's casket, as long as Texas shall endure, will give him an abiding place with all the bright and hallowed associations of honor, truth, valor and heroic deeds wrought in the interest of this grand Lone Star State. As one takes a retrospective view of the political history of Texas, in the active days of Gov. Throckmorton's life, every event of interest to the people, before which one pauses, is observed standing upon the side of right this grand man; every principle of justice found in him a strong supporter. He has been loyal; he is still loyal, and while he has stepped aside, Texas will ever honor him for what he has done in aiding to make her the grandest state in the constellation of states.

A delegation of citizens from New Mexico has been in Washington working to secure statehood for that territory. They claim a population of 75,000, and property valuation to the amount of $80,000,000.

The Texas Carton's representaion of the political situation is good enough for Puck or the Judge. George Clark as a ringmaster wielding the whip and placing the anti-commission forces in line can be read even by people who never heard of a school.—Southern Mercury.

Burglaries have been on a boom the past week in the various towns in Texas.

Bois d' Arc Community.

BOIS D' ARC, May 10, 1890.
Editor of the Democrat.

We are having fine weather now and we are tusseling with the burrs. The farmers are all smiling like an opossum in "simmon" time. The farmers are through planting cotton and some are plowing their cotton. Corn is growing nicely, but the burrs are about to get "the go" on it.

The roads are getting passable once more. Oh, we are so glad, too. We can take our old "beeswax" buggy riding, and have lot's of fun.

Snakes are numerous. Mr. Kennedy killed one Sunday afternoon which measured five feet and six inches from head to tip of tail.

Chief Warden of McKinney visited our community Sunday afternoon.

We had a severe wind storm Saturday evening, but it did no serious damage.

Pedra Wilmeth visited our neighborhood this week.

Capt. Weiggle was out from town Sunday looking after his stock. He is one of our most enterprising stock raisers. Success to the captain.

Wilson creek is full of fish. There were seven persons fishing at one place, and I don't know how many more were up and down the creek. Some parties caught 75 pounds of fish the other day. That's pretty good for Wilson creek.

Ed Kirkland, one of our accomplished farmers, has the best crop of corn in the neighborhood.

Uncle Al Scroggins is very ill. He has been sick for some time. He is not expected to live long, but there is a brighter world than this for good men like him. Everybody ought to do good, for he does not know what is in store for him.

ORPHAN BOY.

The ladies met at the Methodist church last Tuesday for the purpose of devising ways and means of putting the graveyard in good condition. The DEMOCRAT wishes them unbounded success in this noble endeavor.

Railroad Regulation.

[BY HON TOM J. BROWN]

NO. 12.

At the last session of the legislature a bill was reported from the committee on interial improvement creating a railroad commission for the state. It passed the house of representatives by a vote of more than two-thirds, but when it went into the senate it was virtually defeated by being postponed to a day when it could not be considered. During the debate in the house and the senate the opposition to the measure took the ground that under the present constitution the legislature could not confer upon the commission the power to fix and establish rates of freght on the railroads. Some of the members and also of the senate claimed that they were in favor of the measure if it were not for the constitutional difficulty. The majority of the house and a large number of the senate believed that the constitution presented no obstacle to the passage of the bill. In the senate a resolution was offered to amend the constitution so as to remove the supposed difficulty and while those who did not admit that there was a difficulty they agreed at the instance of those who did believe to submit the amendment to the people, not to confer power on the legislature to pass the bill, but in order to relieve the consciences of those who differed from them.

It is a strange condition of things that some of those who sought the submission of the amendment are now opposing its adoption claiming that the vote upon it is to be the test of the wishes of the people as to the creation of a commission. It ought not to be admitted that this is the case, and in fact it is not so. Every artifice will be resorted to compass the defeat of this measure. It is now claimed that the amendment is not needed and that the issue made by it is not whether a commission shall be created but whether or not a certain bill shall become a law. If these ingenious gentlemen can get up differences as to provisions of that bill, through misrepresentations of its provisions and thus having made a false issue, succeed in defeating the amendment they will claim that it is a repudiation by the people of the whole commission idea. It is now claimed by some of the opposition that the legislature has full power to create a commission under the present constitution, but when the amendment is defeated, if it should be, these same gentlemen will claim that the character of the commission authorized in the constitution is such as to be of no value to the people.

While the bill that was passed by the house is not an issue in this canvass, nor is any particular bill, it is true that any law which is effective and valuable in correcting the existing evil must embody the main features of that bill. The issue in the canvass is and should be made sharply, the creation of a commission to regulate freight rates and exercise proper control over the operations of the railroads in this state. It is not true that the defeat of the amendment will prevent the passage of a commission bill at the next session of the legislature. If the members to be elected shall be in favor of a commission and the governor shall believe that the present constitution presents no obstacle to the creation of one the people can have it notwithstanding the amendment may be defeated.

The democratic party will be morally and logically responsible for the continuance of present condition of things, and should, therefore, control the policy of the state. It is and will be in control of the state government and in case a majority of the members of the legislature shall be favorable to a commission it ought not to be held that it will be precluded from exercising the power which the constitution vests in that body, by reason of the adverse action of those who are not charged with the discharge of the duties imposed by that instrument. If therefore, a minority of the democratic party by combining with the republican vote, and with the aid of corporation influence and money shall succeed in defeating the proposed amennment it would be taking the expressed wish of a minority of the party as the guide for party action on this measure.

Every democrat should support the amendment whether he is in favor of the commission or not because he ought to be willing to place his party in a position to redeem its pledges to the people and to give force and effect to the will of the majority. This is in accordance with the true doctrines of the party. Let all such fight out in the party conventions, in making selections of candidates, the question of a commission or not and submit to the result, whatever that may be.

Each friend of a railroad commission should work diligently for the adoption of the amendment because it will have the effect to strengthen the measure in the legislature by relieving some of those who favor a commission but honestly differ from the majority, and in a greater degree will it give this aid by taking away from those who affect so to believe the hiding place behind which they shield themselves from the consequences of open opposition to the public will. It will at the same time remove every pretext for a contest of the measure before the courts either state or federal but more especially the latter.

The position is taken that the amendment if adopted will be mandatory upon the legislature to create a commission. The form of the amendment itself and the circumstances of its submission do not justify such a conclus... provision the ... pass a rate bil... other method o... is no more man... present constitu... been in force f... teen years, and ... regarded. Do... such a propositi... ful in the sel... officers, both of ... members of the ... specially the s... men who believe... sion for its own ... he who acts f... duty against h... inclinations wil... advocate of the ... complexion of ... will be a much ... the will of the p... vote on the a... posed.

The democrati... fore stated, is in... state governme... continue. It fol... that the fate of ... measure depe... measure upon t... the state conven... tonio for three ... governor will e... influence over t... legislature, and ... larly the senat... will recommend ... as he may deem ... power is equiv... thirds of the le... effect upon leg... lieutenant gover... point the comm... the measure will ... in the the senate, ... first importance ... case of a tie vot... the decision of ... The attorney-gen... legal adviser of t... if created, and m... in the prosecutio... ations in case of ... of the law. Thes... are of special imp... coming election. ... other state officrs ... take active part i... tion that creates t... its execution B... exercise no small ... the minds of the ... it is better to ha... family friends t... and there is no ... they should not b...

As the people a... of all political ... party organizatio... ies are the me... which that power ... tively exercised. ... maries fall into ... the result is wrong ... through.

I, therefore, tak... in closing this seri... to appeal to every ... go to the primaries ... precinct and to tak... in selecting deleg... county conventio... rely upon constr... they are of little v... trolling power ov... minds. Select from ... ber men that really ... timent represent yo... attend the county ... —men who will g... county conventions ... with regard to the d... the state convention ... be held at a great dis... the most populous p... state, and it will be ... get men to attend w... earnest about the ... railroad regulation. ... send no one who is no... this subject. If yo... favor of it let your representative be a commission man at heart. If opposed, the same rule should govern you. Those who are opposed will need no urging, however, they will be there in full force and often in disguise. You will be urged to send delegates from the county at large, and to add Mr. A., Mr. B. and Mr. C. to the delegation. This is no time for compliments, but it is best to select your number of delegates that you know, confine it to that and prohibit proxies to be given to any except to another of the delegation selected by you. For once, let the rank and file of the party be heard in the convention that its policy and nominations represent the interests of the masses of the people of the state.

We may expect that every power that the railroads can bring to bear will be felt at San Antonio and every means resorted to for the purpose of bewildering and confusing the delegates. A long protracted fight may be expected, and those who seek to reform the state administration upon the railroad question must go prepared to stand the pressure and to stay until the battle is fought to the finish.

Musings at Eventide

Princeton May, 10, 1890.

The wind bloweth where it listeth and ye hear the sound there of, but ye canst tell from whence it cometh or whither it goeth, so is every one that seeketh after office. They meet you on the road, in the field, at church, in town, and they have their faces "kivered with smiles," and tell you they are your friends.—men who ... six months ...

HOGG THE NEXT CHOICE.

McKinney Tex., May, 14, 1890.
Editor Democrat.

The favorite son of old Collin, by Nature's law, was forced to decline the race for governor. While his many friends are grieved over his misfortune, the will of Heaven must be obeyed. Throckmorton was the first choice of old Collin for governor. Now that he has withdrawn Hogg is the first choice, providing justice can be had, which we think is doubtful under the present rule of controlling primary conventions. For proof of this see four candidates who were defeated in the last primary convention that was held after having obtained a majority of voters as claimed by them. Also in the congressional race between Hare and Wellborn. Hare could have beaten Wellborn five to one in a fair count, and let Collin county defeat him. Ask Esq. ...

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Summer silk	25c
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White lawn (extra quality)	5c
Cross-barred muslin	5c
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Egyptian plaid white goods, (very handsome)	10c
Half wool nun's veiling	10c
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Full line satins	8 1-3 to 15c
Imported satins and ginghams	25
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Good calf boot	$2 50
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Ladies' opera slippers,	50c
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Ladies' kid button shoes, worked button hole,	90c
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Best $7 50 and $10 00 suits you ever saw.
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Ladies' ribbed summer vests 10-3 for 25c.
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Sole agents for W. B. Corsets, the best and cheapest corset made.
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Large line ladies' hats, just received from New York, from 75c to $3 50.
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Can save you money on ribbons and flowers.

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20 yards 4—4 sheeting domestic	$1 00
20 yards Sea Island domestic	1 00
20 yards bleach domestic	1 00
20 yards round thread cotton ch'ks	1 00
20 yards oil red prints	1 00
20 yards apron checks ginghams	1 00
14 yards dress ginghams	1 00
Twilled pant linen, per yard,	12 1-2c
Turkey red table linen, per yard,	25c
Cotton jeans, per yard	12 1-2c to 25c
Cottonade per yard,	12 1-2 to 20c
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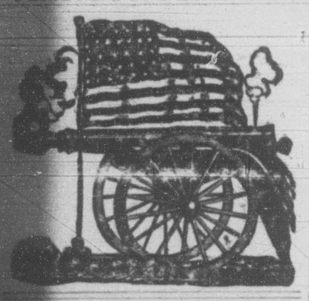

We are authorized to announce R. D. ALLISON as a candidate for re-election to the office of representative to the lower house of the state legislature.

We are authorized to announce the name of WILLIAMS WARDEN as a candidate for Tax Collector, subject to the action of the democratic party.

We are authorized to announce JOHN Y. BOWEN as a candidate for commissioner of precinct No. 2.

We are authorized to announce the name of J. T. ANDREWS as a candidate for Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the democratic party.

We are authorized to announce the name of J. M. BALL, as a candidate for Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the democratic party.

W. C. JONES authorizes us to announce him as a candidate for re-election to the office of District Clerk, subject to the action of the democratic party.

GEO. B. ADAMS authorizes us to announce him as a candidate for County Treasurer, subject to the action of the democratic party.

We are authorized to announce the name of MOOD BELEW as a candidate for sheriff of Collin county, subject to the action of the democratic party.

LOCAL NEWS.

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...p on hand fresh drugs, ...nt medicines of all kinds. ...toilet articles of any description; in fact, everything ...e drug line. Call and see ..., east side of the square.

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...ese Shain is building a nice ...ge on North Kentucky ...t.

☞Save from three to four ...rs by buying your spring ... at M Aron's.

...harlie Parker, the talented ...t of the Sherman Register, ... visiting in McKinney on Sunday.

☞Don't buy your spring ... before looking at M. ...'s.

...llás Sparlin has bought ...he city hotel.

Mrs. Touchstone and Miss Foster of Weston were in the city last Sunday.

Dear reader, kindly ask your neighbor to subscribe for the DEMOCRAT.

Willie Parker is clerking at John Myers' stand on the southeast corner of the square.

☞When all other remedeis fail try Lone Star Catarrh Cure. Bristol Bros.

Kyle Obenshain and Bob Harell, after their return from Dallas, went hunting last Monday.

☞For bargains in reed and willow rockers, go to Nale & Dies, opposite postoffice.

Allen's new meat market, on South Tennessee street, is nearing completion, and when finished will be an ornament to that part of the city.

☞Corn and oats taken at the highest market price in exchange for lumber, at Nenney & Pardue's. 37-1y

Hon. Geo. W. Steel of Indiana has been nominated for governor of Oklahoma, I. T.

☞Nale & Dies have just received a nice line of folding couches.

The railroads are threading the state. They are also "threading" the farmers.

E. C. Kitchen of Brownwood, Texas, says: "I would not take $1,000 for what Dr. Thurmond's Catarrh Cure did for me." Bristol Bros.

McKinney is not on a paper boom, but she "gets there just the same."

☞Bargains in dress goods at M. Aron's.

J. N. Smith of Weston was in the city Tuesday.

☞Fine display of spring clothing at M. Aron's

Some of the side walks in the city are being repaired. Let the good work go on.

Little Paul Magner had his hand severely cut with an ice pick a few days ago, while at work at Mr. Rutledge's store

For Sale.

Fifty-acre farm, well improved, water and pasture, well located. A bargain can be had in this place. Call on

J. S. JENKINS,
McKinney, Tex.

Tourists,

Whether on pleasure bent or business, should take on every trip a bottle of Syrup of Figs, as it acts most pleasntly and effectually on the kidneys, liver and bowels, preventing fevers, headaches and other sickness. For sale in 50c and $1.00 bottles by all leading druggists.

A herd of cattle was driven through the city last Saturday, headed toward the setting sun The pop of whips and primitive sound of the cowboy "whoop! how-oo! ya! thar!" resounded through the square.

Notice to Alliance men.

There will be an election held at Farmersville, Tex., on the 4th Saturday in this month at 2 o'clock for the purpose of electing a cotton weigher. Come out one and all, especially the stockholders of cotton yard.

Joshua Gotcher,
Chairman Directors.

Mrs. Boggs and two accomplished daughters, Misses Drew and Ida, of Plano, spent a day in our city not long since.

In almost every neighborhood throughout the west there are some one or more persons whose lives have been saved by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy, or who have been cured of chronic diarrhœa by it. Such persons take especial pleasure in recommending the Remedy to others. The praise that follows it's introduction and use makes it very popular. 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by Bristol Bros.

The Spring Palace at Fort Worth is now in full blast and the "karporama" again astonishes visitors.

I bought a 50 cent bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and applied it to my limbs, which have been afflicted with rheumatism at intervals for one year. At the time I bought the Pain Balm I was unable to walk. I can truthfully say that Pain Balm has completely cured me. R. H. Farr, Holywood, Kan. Mr A. W. Cox, the leading druggist at Holywood, vouches for the truth of the above statement.

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MRS. FANNIE JOHNSON.

Pronounced Hopeless, Yet Saved.

From a letter written by Mrs. Ada E. Hurd of Gordon, S. D., we quote: "Was taken with a bad cold, which settled on my lungs, cough set in and finally terminated in consumption. I gave myself up to my Saviour, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's Discovery for consumption, coughs, and colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles; it has cured me and thank God I am now a well and hearty woman." Trial bottles free at E. N. McAuley & Bro.'s, druggists; regular size, 50 cents and $1.

☞Ladies give us a look before you buy your summer hats. We will save you money

M. ARON.

C. C. D. Committee.

To the voters of Collin county. A proposition looking to harmony and reconciliation of two factions of the democratic party in the county was presented to the executive committee at its meeting held April 19, 1890. at the court-house in McKinney.

The manner in which the proposition was disposed of by that committee indicates the purpose of the leaders of the straight democratic party to ignore all honorable efforts at reconciliation and that there is nothing left in that direction for the honest independent voters of Collin county but to servilely submit to the dictation of a few political bosses. Are you willing to do this?

Owing to the unavailable absence of our chairman, W. H. Brummett, we think best to postpone any action by the committee at the present time, but an early meeting of this committee will be held to take such action as the interests of the public demands, of which due notice will be given by the the chairman of this executive committee. J. Y. BOWEN

Chairman, pro. tem.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

As mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surface. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co.

☞Sold by druggists, price 75 cents per bottle.

Drunkenness—Liquor Habit—In all the World There is But One Cure,

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It can be given in a cup of tea or coffee without the knowledge of the person taking it, effecting a speedy and permanent cure, whether the patient is a moderate drinker or an alcoholic wreck. Thousands of drunkards have been cured who have taken the Golden Specific in their coffee without their knowledge, and to-day believe they quit drinking of their own free will. No harmful effect results from its administration. Cures guaranteed. Send for circular and full particulars. Address in confidence, GOLDEN SPECIFIC Co., 185 Race street, Cincinnati, O.

☞New millinery at M. Aron's.

For Sale, Cheap.

Lot 29x100 feet, in McKinney, with two-story brick house; first floor occupied as postoffice, second floor as family residence. Will sell for cash, or on easy terms at low rate of interest, or will take a small farm as part payment, and balance in note to suit purchaser. Premises now rented for a year at $50 per month. Apply to

W. S. SPROLES,
505 Main street, Dallas, Tex.

We are more than pleased to see our friend Geo. Galloway up again, after a serious spell of fever.

Some of the Grand Army boys may be interested in the following from Alex. B. Pope, A. D. C., Commander, Dep't. Tenn. and Ga. He says; "We have had an epidemic of whooping cough here, (Stewart, Tenn.,) and Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been the only medicine that has done any good." There is no danger from whooping cough, when this remedy is freely given. It completely controls the disease. 50 cent bottles for sale by Bristal Bros.

Owing to sickness in his family Mr. T. C Perry failed to attend the Baptist convention at Fort Worth.

☞Special prices in ladies' hats at M. Aron's.

For Seven Long Years

I suffered untold agonies with my left leg which was afflicted with a large ulcer that eat away the flesh, leaving the bone visible, which was attende by the most excruciating pain; so great was the pain that I was forced to take six grains of morphine daily. I was induced to try Dr. Thurmond's Lone Star Blood Syrup and after taking nine bottles I can say that I am entirely cured. am 65 years old and we gh 177 pounds to day. WILLIAM CURRY.
Gainesvill, Texas.

Sugar Chill Cure is as sweet as sugar; children cry for it; don't fail to try it. A sure cure. Bristol Bros.

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Presents in the most elegant form
THE LAXATIVE AND NUTRITIOUS JUICE
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FIGS OF CALIFORNIA,
Combined with the medicinal virtues of plants known to be most beneficial to the human system, forming an agreeable and effective laxative to permanently cure Habitual Constipation, and the many ills depending on a weak or inactive condition of the
KIDNEYS, LIVER AND BOWELS.
It is the most excellent remedy known to
CLEANSE THE SYSTEM EFFECTUALLY
When one is Bilious or Constipated
—SO THAT—
PURE BLOOD, REFRESHING SLEEP, HEALTH and STRENGTH
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Every one is using it and all are delighted with it.
ASK YOUR DRUGGIST FOR
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From May 7, to 28, 1890, you can obtain of your local ticket agent or by addressing the undersigned, tickets via the Missouri, Kansas and Texas R'y to Fort Worth,

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And return, good until June 3, 1890, one fare for the round trip. This low rate is made by the M., K. & T. R'y on account of the Texas

SPRING PALACE

Which opens at Fort Worth May 10 and closes May 31, 1890. H. P. Hughes, Asst. Gen'l Pass. Ag't. M., K. & T. R'y. Fort Worth, Tex. Gaston Meslier, Gen'l Pass. and Tk't. Ag't., Sedalia, Mo.

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For money and annual interest at 9 and 10 per cent. for thee, four and five years, see,

M. H. BYRNE.

Interest due November 1, each year. Do not be deceived by the vague and indefinite promises of parties that never expect to fulfill them; but go direct to M. H. Byrne who will not promise that which he cannot fulfill. He will give you the best rates of any agent at McKinney.

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The Best Salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns and all skin eruptions, and Positively cures Piles, or no money required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For Sale by E N McAULAY and Bro

Bristol Bro, the druggists desire us to publish the following testimonial as they handle the remedy and believe it to be reliable:

☞Milk pails 10 to 25 cents at the Nickel Store.

☞R. M. Board is still on deck with a large stock of drygoods which he will sell cheap to the farmers of Collin county.

☞Good sized dish pan 25c at Nickel Store.

☞Go to R. M. Board and be convinced that he handles the best goods on the market.

☞Take your family to the Nickel Store and let them see something nice.

☞See R. M. Board before purchasing your summer wear. He will sell to you cheap.

☞The rush is to see R. M. Board's mammoth stock of drygoods.

☞Storms and floods have come and gone leaving R. M. Board with a large stock of dry goods to be sold at the lowest prices.

☞Don't forget the auction at the Racket Store next Saturday.

☞Gentlemens handkerchiefs 5 and 10 cents at the Nickel Store.

☞Ladies hats trimmed in order at M. Aron's.

For any disease arising from impure blood take Dr. Thurmond's Lone Star Blood Syrup, the greatest blood medicine on earth. Bristol Bros.

☞Spend your cash at R. M. Board's and get bargains in dry goods.

☞We are headquarters for housekeeping supplies, furniture, stoves, queensware, pocket cutlery and everything else necessary to make up a complete outfit, and cheaper than any other house in North Texas. Give us a call, opposite postoffice. NALE & DIES.

MY LADY PLAYING.

She swept the keys with vibrant fingers,
And drove the nervous strain along;
Still in my mind the music lingers,
Sweet as the bard's unuttered song

Then changed it to an icy pealing;
Cold as the player was the tone
That came upon my spirit stealing,
Until I felt I was alone.

Once more it changed. So low and tender,
Throbbing with love the music sighed,
My arm around her waist so slender
Unconsciously began to glide.

On went the strain still more beguiling,
A ditty of the golden age;
Just then her head she lifted, smiling,
And said: "Will you please turn the page?"

A Spiritualist Seance.

Jim lay prone upon the grass and looked at the stars. Brilliantly they gleamed. The low stretch of the prairie brought the horizon's circle near to the low plain. The opportunity for a horoscope was almost equal to that presented from the top of a high mountain. But Jim was not forecasting the future. On the contrary, he was intent upon the near past. His partner in the ranch sat close to him and smoked a pipe, while he figured in mental arithmetic the probable profits of the year.

Tom and Jim—friends in their childhood and youth—were now in their young manhood interested, share and share alike, in a cattle ranch, where the waters began to find their way to the Rio Grande.

A few days before this evening Jim had been to the nearest trading post and had returned with letters from friends at home. Something that occurred during that short visit had greatly changed his lightsome and cheery disposition. He had of recent years taken life seriously but not morosely. Among his border companions he was called "Happy-hearted Jim."

Tom was unusually jolly. His spirits were bubbling over, for the next day there was to be a roundup and there was a possibility of recovering some of their stray cattle, while every cow in the corral on the ranch belonged to it. So he fell to whistling, at which he was an expert. Memories of the opera dropped in sweet tones from his lips while the darkness bowed down and embraced the earth. Usually his companion commented favorably upon the rapidity and clearness of his execution, but this evening he lay still, and Tom did not know whether he listened or whether his thoughts were far away. Suddenly from the shrill variations of the "Mocking Bird" Tom's notes dropped into the mournfully sweet "Home, Sweet Home."

"Shut up!" Jim exclaimed surlily.

Tom obeyed. Lighting his pipe he began to wrestle in subdued silence with columns of figures that would persist in tangling almost inexplicably. Sometimes he merely succeeded in writing a total across the sky under the evasive units and tens and hundreds, but finally relinquished his effort with the exclamation:

"They won't toe a chalkmark."

He referred to the figures.

Then he knocked the ashes out of his pipe. The shower of sparks that fell on the dry grass aroused him.

"Careless as ever, Tom," Jim exclaimed with a light laugh, as he reached out his long arm and crushed under his thumb the life out of a spark that meant mischief.

"Glad to get somethin' out of you," Tom replied, and then asked affectionately: "Say, old fellow, what's been the matter with you since you came back from the post?"

Jim had risen. Tom also stood up.

"Tom, what do you think of Spiritualists?"

"Do you mean table lifters and untiers of ropes in the dark, and cabinet manifestation makers and that kind of magicians? Well, if you mean them I think they're cute, too cunnin' for us."

"No, I refer to the materializers, the men and women who can show you the faces of your dead."

"They have been puzzles to me, but I don't much believe in them. I am inclined to think them frauds."

"But Tom," persisted Jim, "why couldn't they raise souls of the dead as easily as we bring thoughts up by memory? Is it only another kind of genius to be possessed of the power to place the soul of a dead person before us in bodily shape, as it is genius to give a thought form in a sentence or a machine?"

"Been to one of their meetin's, Jim?"

"Yes, down at the post."

"See any spirit you knew?"

"Yes."

"Who?"

"Annette."

Tom slipped his arm around his friend and began walking with him. A horse whinnied, a watch dog barked at the approach of some animal, but otherwise the darkness was a muffler and silence lay on the earth. Sorrow and sympathy united the young men in a bond that only strengthened the one forged years ago by youthful pleasures and cemented by business integrity.

When in his teens Jim entered college he was full of hope and sunshine. Everywhere he was popular. The girls liked him. He chose Annette Hale. Her he loved. She returned his affection and gave her promise to become his wife when he began to find his way in life.

One morning he picked up a daily newspaper and read of a runaway in which Annette had been killed. His life died then. When the telegram reached him he was stone. Unflinchingly he read it. He did not go to her funeral, and the only external show of change in his disposition was a greater zest for out-of-door sports. He devoted more time to baseball and made a record that placed him on second base on the college nine. He became indifferent to his studies, but this was attributed to his growing fondness for baseball. His professors grew anxious and admonished him, but beyond a respectful attention to their warnings he gave them no further thought. When examinations were concluded at the end of the year he failed to pass and was dropped from the class. He did not seem to be disconcerted over his failure. With the nine he went to New Haven and met the Yale University Club. His play was brilliant and won applause. After the game he bought a ticket for the far West and did not pause in his journeyings until he reached the Rio Grande.

Here he remained a few days, haunted by a memory of a graveyard lying white and still in the moonlight, while he rushed by in the express. The train was running at fast schedule, but its speed was slow enough to permit the one short vision of the graveyard in which Annette lay. That sight presented to him constantly by persistent recollection tore his soul with grief, and until he could command himself he remained at a trading post on the river.

Then he left the town and sought the headwaters of a tributary of the Rio Grande, where he chose the location of his ranch and began the business of cattle raising.

"She is there in the graveyard, and I will let her lie in peace," he said, the first night he lay down to sleep on the plain, and the vision faded in the starlight.

He awoke with a laugh and never afterwards seemed sad until the evening he returned from his last visit to the trading post.

Tom joined him within a year after he was located and became an equal partner in the ranch. They had a hard fight, and many times it seemed as if they must surrender. Tom would grow very despondent on these occasions, but Jim only laughed at the danger. Now, when they were assured of the success and might reasonably consider themselves rich, Jim must settle into a gloom that almost terrified the mercurial partner. The explanation of this mood set Tom to thinking. Since he came to the plains Tom had acquired a reputation among the cowboys for coolness and daring, and he was puzzling how he could make his athletic powers and skill of use to his partner. No light bursting in upon his mind to reveal the way out of the quandary, he asked:

"Did she look natural?"

"I recognized her," Jim replied briefly, without pausing in his walk.

Then in a few words he narrated the details of the unhappy incident. The time had been dull with him at the post and he yielded to the solicitations of some acquaintances to go with them to a seance to be given by a medium from New York. While sitting near the space where the materializations took place, he saw the face of Annette slowly develop before him. The expression was sad and she did not seem happy, so he spoke to her. Then she faded away.

"I don't like to believe," he continued, "that I saw her, Tom, because it breaks my heart to think that the medium has the power to lead her soul anywhere. The dear girl is dead, but she can't be resting in peace if another person can call her to appear at any time it may amuse an assemblage."

"It is rough if it is so, but I think you were deceived."

"But you did not see her, Tom."

Tom had to admit that he did not.

The roundup was all over. All day Jim had been very serious.

"Had a funeral up here?" asked the buyer, looking at Jim.

"No; a resurrection," Tom interposed flippantly; and then could have bit his tongue off. Jim shot him such a pleading glance. The buyer proceeded to business without asking for an explanation. Now he was gone with the surplus of the herd, and the proceeds of the trade were safely stowed in the belts of the partners.

Before retiring that night Tom inquired how long the medium meant to stay at the post. Jim replied that he did not know.

"Let's ride down to-morrow. We can leave Mike and the dogs in charge of the herd; it isn't so big as it was. I want to see the Spiritualist materialize."

"I'd rather not go, Tom."

"Yes, do come. I mean to go and I want you for company."

"But I am afraid they will bring Annette up again, and I couldn't stand it to be convinced she has no resting place." Jim shook his head mournfully.

"It may be you were mistaken. Come along old fellow. Give the medium another chance. My eyes will not be dimmed by mist, and I shall see clearly."

Jim caught Tom's hand and squeezed it. Thus he gave his consent to attend another seance.

The medium had not departed from the post. Rumors of the materializations had spread over the plains, and many cowboys and other settlers had gathered to behold their dead friends.

Jim and Tom found the curiosity to see the seance so great among the persons at the post that they went early to secure front seats. The room was long and narrow and lighted by candles. Soon it was announced by some one from the platform that a materialization that had been accomplished about a week before would be repeated.

Jim trembled when the lights were put out. With one hand Tom pressed his partner's arm and with the other deftly slipped a lasso from under his corduroy vest.

Soon a glow appeared in the corner of the room, slowly and silently it advanced toward the centre of the platform, while the spectators breathlessly watched it. Gradually it defined to a distinct countenance; the features were clearly marked and the expression was sad.

"That's Annette," said Jim in a whisper.

"It's mighty like her," Tom replied, as he rose to his feet.

The lasso cut through the stifling air, and almost immediately there was a shriek from the vicinity of the gloomy face, sad and saint-like, which had become very restless. It ducked and swayed back and forth and came toward the audience, while a woman cried:

"Don't pull so hard. You're killing me."

Then Tom shouted in ecstacy:

"Strike a light, Jim. I've got the woman in tow that looks like Annette."

A half dozen candles were lighted in as many different directions, and the spectators yelled in their excitement as they saw the unwilling flesh and blood spectre, with the phosphorescent face, tugging at the rope and trying to remain on the platform.

"You must come here," Tom said resolutely. "My partner here must be convinced that you don't even look like his dead sweetheart."

A yell greeted these words, and other, rougher hands than Tom's were laid upon the rope. Then Jim interfered:

"Let her go, boys, please. I am convinced."

But the boys would not let her go so easily, when the manager offered to refund all the money taken in at the door and promised to go quietly out of the country. The girl was released from the lasso which had hurt her some.

Tom apologized to her almost facetiously.

"You see, miss, it was unfortunate of you to look like my partner's sweetheart. He thought you were really his dead girl, and I had to show him you weren't."

Jim was very grateful to Tom and thanked him in quavering tones.

"I know surely now that Annette [illegible] resting place."

[illegible] vision of the graveyard [illegible] moonlight arose be[illegible] voice whispered

peopl[illegible]

AMONG THE GOLDEN GRAIN.

Items of Incalculable Interest on Farm and in the Home.

The Veterinary Contribution—Potato Paint—Fertilization—Wholesome Things to Remember, and Timely Recipes for Every Scrap-Book.

Burns and Scalds.

These accidents are liable to all our domestic animals. Small animals, as dogs, cats, and fowls are most frequently subjected to scalds from a careless or thoughtless habit of throwing hot water out of the door or window without looking out for such animals as frequent the house, yard, or doorway for food or kind recognition. Burns are usually the result of fires, says the American Agriculturalist, or the escape of steam in large establishments. These accidents are dangerous to the life of the animal in proportion to the extent, depth, and vitality of the part burned or scalded. But in all valuable domestic animals, especially horses, the scars or blemishes left from such accidents are of consider. ble detriment in the value of the animal. Until the veterinarian arrives, exclude the air from the scald or burn, by a saturated (as strong, soluble in water, as it will make) solution of baking soda—bicarbonate of soda—in which cotton cloths are wet, and bound on the parts. The "*Carron oil*" (equal parts of lime water and linseed oil) is a valuable application as the air is excluded. For the relief of the intense and excruciating pain of burns and scalds, the internal use of laudanum is the most humane efficient remedy.

Tight Shoes.

Tight shoes are always a mistake, as they ruin the feet they are supposed to improve; but quite as frequently mistakes are made in the opposite direction. It is not a new idea that shoes which fit so loosely that the feet move about in them with every step produce as bad results as tight ones; and it is even asserted, on good authority, that people who systematically wear tight shoes never have corns. A change from tight shoes to very loose ones is sure to be followed by these torments.

To Aid Fertilizers.

Soapsuds on the manure heap is beneficial. The salts not only add the soda and other elements of the soap to the heap, but also induces chemical changes, during which processes the ammonia is to a certain extent prevented from escaping. The alkaline matter also largely assists in rendering some of the solid matter soluble, and reduces the whole to a finer condition.

Potato Paint.

Potato paint is a novelty which is said to adhere well to wood and plaster, and to be very cheap. To make it, boil one pound of peeled potatoes, mash, dilute with water and pass through a sieve; then add two pounds of Spanish white in four pounds of water. Different colors can be had by the use of the ordinary mineral powders.

The Veterinary.

Dr. Bridge in the Practical Farmer, answers several pertinent inquiries regarding remedies in various ailments in the animal world.

WORMS.—Pulv. gentian root, pulv. ginger, each 2 ozs. Pulv. dried sulphate of iron, pulv. male fern, each 1 oz.; mix. Give a tablespoonful once a day.

LAME HORSE—Sore on leg near hoof; fetlock cracked, with exudation of watery fluid. Poultice with flaxseed meal and use the following: Sulphate of zinc, acetate of lead, each 1 oz., glycerine, 3 ozs., water, 1 pint; mix. Wet the sore well twice a day.

LAMENESS—In hogs' hind quarters. Separate sick from well. Flower of sulphur, sulphate of iron madder, each 1 lb.; black antimony, nitrate of potash, each ½ lb., arsenic, 1 oz. Mix with 6 gallons of slop and give a pint to each hog both sick and well, and do not feed any corn.

SHEDDING OFF.—For the purpose of making horses shed off readily. "Pulv. sulphate of magnesia, pulv. nitrate of potash, pulv. fœngreek seeds, each 2 ozs. Pulv. cream of tartar, pulv. flower of sulphur, pulv. caraway seeds, pulv. black antimony, pulv. resin, each 1 oz.; mix. Give a large tablespoonful once a day in the feed."

SWELLING.—One writer has a young horse that swells at the breast, on being opened a kind of yellow water and blood runs out. "Bin. iodide of mercury, 2 drachms; palm oil and resin ointment, 2 oz. Mix and rub on the swelling and allow to stay on 48 hours; wash off with luke warm water and castile soap and grease with lard. Keep the animal tied up while this blister is on, so that it cannot lay down or bite itself. Wash off every day and grease and repeat till well."

Household Keepsakes.

Suet should be used instead of butter for making sauces, gravies, etc.

To remove grease stains from silk hats, use turpentine and then alcohol.

Glaze bottom crust of fruit pies with white of an egg, and they will not be soggy.

A spoonful of strong vinegar in a kettle of hot lard will prevent doughnuts from soaking fat.

To remove rust from steel, rub with kerosene, and soak for a day, polishing with emery dust and kerosene.

Attar of roses is worth from $12 to $15 an ounce at wholesale. It takes 6,000 leaves to make one pound of attar.

The toughest fowl can be made eatable if put in cold water, plenty of it, and cooked very slowly from five to six hours.

When giving the final polish to stoves, before putting away for the summer, mix the blacking with a little kerosene instead of water, to prevent rust.

There should be a small table about the height of the range or stove for use as a resting place for utensils when omelets, griddle cakes, etc., are made. It should be covered with zinc.

A French scientist, who has been studying the hands of manual laborers, finds that very marked physical peculiarities are engendered by the pursuit of different occupations.

Whenever the shoulders of a work horse are galled the harness should be examined to remove the cause. A horse in such condition should not be made to work until a cure is made.

Apples are used as food at the experiment stations in making tests, and the results demonstrate that if they cannot be profitably shipped to market they may be fed to stock with advantage.

There is nothing that will remove freckles from the skin so that they will not come again. Freckles are due to a peculiar structure of a person's skin, and that structure can't be changed.

Variety of stock on the farm is fully as important as the growing of a variety of crops. A variety admits of using up the various farm products to a better advantage, and also of reducing the cost.

Copperas dissolved in boiling water, will instantly cleanse iron sinks and drains. A few drops of spirits of turpentine mixed with stove-blacking lessens labor and adds polish. Kerosene in cooked starch (a teaspoonful to a quart) will prevent clothes sticking to the iron and gives a gloss; the scent evaporates in the drying. (Powdered borax is good if one decidedly objects to the smell of kerosene.)

The production of cocoa plant in South America is so enormous that one-eighth part of it would be sufficient to swamp the market of the outside world. Almost all of it is consumed in South America.

Nothing so quickly restores tone to exhausted nerves and strength to a weary body as a bath containing an ounce of aqua-ammonia to each pailful of water. It makes the flesh firm and smooth as marble, and renders the body pure and free from all odors.

Dipping fish in scalding water will cause the scales to come off very easily, but if the fish are to be salted down they must on no account be scalded. You may pour over them vinegar with the same result. Salt fish will soak fresh much quicker in sour milk than in water.

The greatest problem confronting every breeder of improved stock is that of being able to duplicate at will the animal he has chosen for his model, and not until we produce a cow combining all those qualities can we congratulate ourselves on having a model butter cow.

Pig-keeping for any profit beyond the range of the extra milk and the kitchen slops turns on grass. In grass there is profit; and hogs can be kept without vexation, if things be fitted for them. It is no trouble to turn a dozen sows into a pasture, with a nice shed for them to sleep under.

In mixing your mustard, care should be taken that the water has been boiled and allowed to cool. Hot water destroys the flavor, and cold water is liable to cause the mustard to ferment. In mixing mustard for the table, only a little at a time should be made; stir well until the mass becomes smooth and oily. A little salt and sugar should be added.

Seasonable Recipes.

TO REMOVE MILDEW.—Take either soft or hard soap, rub on the mildew, and sprinkle with table salt; hang out in the hot sun a few days, and if your mildew does not disappear you have not used enough soap and salt.

DROP CAKES.—One cup each of sour cream and sugar, one teaspoonful of soda, one-half cup of currants, one and a half cups of flour; flavor with nutmeg and cinnamon and drop from spoon into a buttered pan and bake in a quick oven.

SUET PUDDING.—One cup of sour milk, one cup of suet, one cup of raisins, half cup of molasses, one egg, one teaspoonful of soda, spices, and flour to make it the thickness of fruit cake; chop the suet and raisins; steam two and a half hours. Eat hot with sour sauce.

SNOW PUDDING.—One-half a box of galentine in a pint of boiling water; when dissolved and nearly cold beat briskly with the whites of four eggs; two cups of coffee sugar, the juice of a lemon; make a custard of the yolks and pour over it; add the grated rind of the lemon to the custard.

MRS. ARTHUR'S GINGERSNAPS.—One egg, one cup of molasses, one cup sugar, one cup butter and lard mixed, one-half cup boiling water, one level teaspoonful of soda dissolved in the water, one teaspoonful of ginger. Flour enough to mold out rather soft. Roll out thin and bake in a quick oven.

ELDERBERRY WINE.—Put the berries in a tub or cask, cover with water and let them stand 5 days. Draw off the juice, strain, and to 4 gallons of juice add 12 lbs. of sugar, ½ lb. of ginger, 2 oz. of cloves, 1 of spice. Let the whole boil ½ an hour, and put in cask. When cold add 1 pint of good yeast, let stand 2 months, draw off and bottle.—MRS. W. C. R.

BAKED BEANS.—Take one quart of beans, wash them and put on to boil, adding 1 teaspoonful of soda. When par-boiled, turn off the water and put on fresh boiling water, also ½ pound of salt pork; boil till tender, then add 1 teaspoonful of malasses and salt to your taste. Put all into a stone jar with the salt pork on top and water enough to cover; bake one hour and a half or longer.

LEMON CAKE.—Two cupfuls of sugar, one-half cupful of butter, three eggs, one cupful of milk, three cupfuls of flour, three level teaspoonfuls of baking powder; bake in layers. For the jelly use the grated rind and juice of two lemons, one cupful of sugar, one egg, one-half cupful of water, one teaspoonful of butter and one tablespoonful of flour mixed in a little water. Boil until it thickens, let it cool and spread it between the layers of cake.

CODFISH BALLS.—Cut the fish in small pieces and put it to soak in lukewarm water over night. In the morning boil it twenty minutes; then change the water, pouring on boiling water and boil fifteen minutes longer. When cold, pick the fish to pieces, removing all bones and skin. Chop very fine, adding as much cold mashed potatoes as fish, a piece of butter and a beaten egg, and sweet milk enough to moisten. Mold into small balls and fry a nice brown in hot lard or drippings.

To Hide Birthmarks.

A correspondent, writing from Paris on the subject of the concealment of personal defects, says that the reason why the bodices Mme. Modjeska appears in are always decorated with a cluster of flowers or knot of ribbon just at the left of their fastenings is that an ugly scar on the breast, which looks as if it might be the result of a wound from a poinard—a souvenir of some past romance—must be concealed in some way. When this device becomes monotonous a little scarf of silk will be trailed carelessly across the open corsage in diagonal lines, a tiny fan of lace will spring out from the corner, or a little knot of feathers will wave softly against the disfiguring mark.

Pretty Mlle. Anthelme, who made such a successful debut in the Nouveautes two years ago, is afflicted with a most undesirable and repulsive birthmark. She is a pretty woman, with a tall, commanding figure, dark hair and eyes, but she is a sort of female Esau, like Lucille Western, and has a thick growth of silky dark hair from her waist up. Of course her skin is carefully shaven above her bodice, but it has a coarseness of texture and a blue tint which necessitates the fair Anthelme's encrusting with blazing jewels that part of her throat which evening dress exposes.

Sophie Croizette, of the Theatre Francais, had a deep vaccination scar far down her plump arm which she used to conceal with a knot of ribbons or trail of flowers and with a gold bracelet before she became so stout that the bracelet had to be as large as a waistband. Speaking of the disfigurement one night to some friends, one of the ladies quietly picked up a wax taper off the toilet table and, holding it above the arm allowed a single drop of melted wax to fall over the place. When it hardened she dusted a little pink powder over it, and Croizette's scar was lost to sight. Croizette's make-up box contained ever after a bit of wax taper.

Born for a Brakeman.

Railroad Superintendent—"I regret that you are incapacitated for further service; but accidents will happen, you know. Do you know of a good man for your place?"

Railroad Brakeman (who has only his thumbs left)—"Yes sir, I know of one who would just you a good deal longer than I did. You'll find him over at the dime museum. He has sixteen fingers."—*New York Weekly.*

FIRE FROM FRICTION.

How Savage People Obtain Fire by the Rubbing of Dry Sticks.

One of the first things every child learns about fire is that certain savage races produce it by the rubbing of two sticks, says the *American Analyst*. Delightfully simple is the description of the process is, any one who has tried to perform the operation will certify that it is by no means an easy one, and very likely will afterward declare fervently upon oath that the thing can not be done. Many travelers have tried under the most auspicious circumstances—in countries where the production of fire in this manner is in every-day use, with a grinning native to choose the weapons and give a practical exhibition of his own skill—and after many joint and muscle aching experiments have given up the attempt in a state of mind bordering on temporary insanity. "We ourselves," writes a traveler, "have been successful just often enough to understand the uncertainty of the operation." In the first place, judgment is required in choosing the sticks. The immense variety of tropic vegetation furnishes many sorts that answer the purpose, but many also that will not. An expert sometimes may be long in finding two species suitable. One must be light and soft, the other heavy, of close texture, and both must be dry. Upon the heavy bit he cuts two grooves in the form of a cross, fixes it tight—with his prehensive toes, probably—sharpens the light bit, places it in the intersections of the cross, and twirls it steadily between his palms. Gradually tinder forms in the shape of dust, which drops down the grooves in a tiny heap on either side. If the twirling be interrupted for a second that represents so much waste time, which must be recovered at enormous interest. If the heavy piece shifts the tinder is displaced.

But the power of originating fire in this manner with facility is not an accomplishment possessed by every one, even in the countries where the practice exists. The inhabitants of the tropics do not always depend wholly upon their two sticks; among many tribes they are nothing but a last resort. They have other methods of producing fire. A native carries in his betel-box, perhaps, a fragment of hard pottery and a morsel of dry fungus. Fixing a bit of the latter in the hollow of the former, and holding it down with the thumb—in such a way that it follows the edge—he smartly strikes his box, which is bamboo of course, just as if he were handling flint and steel. The fungus tinder is glowing in an instant. The friction methods in use in different parts of the world are various. One of the simplest is with the stick and groove—a blunt-pointed stick being run along a groove of its own making in a piece of wood lying on the ground. In Tahiti Mr. Darwin saw a native produce fire in a few seconds, but only succeeded himself after much labor. This device is employed in New Zealand, the Sandwich islands, Tonga, Samoa, and the Radack islands.

Instead of rubbing the movable stick backward and forward, other tribes make it rotate rapidly in a round hole in the stationary piece of wood in the manner referred to, thus making, as happily designated, a fire-drill. This device has been observed in Australia, Kamschatka, Sumatra, and the Carolines, among the Yeddahs of Ceylon, throughout a great part of South Africa, among the Esquimaux and Indian tribes of North America, in the West Indies, in Central America, and as far south as the Straits of Magellan. It was also employed by the ancient Mexicans, and Mr. Taylor gives a quaint picture of the operation from Mexican MS., in which a man, half-kneeling on the ground, is causing the stick to rotate between the palms of his own hands. This simple method of rotarion seems to be generally in use, but various devices have been resorted to for the purpose of diminishing the labor and hastening the result. The Guacho of the Pampas takes "an elastic stick about eighteen inches long presses one end to his breast and the other in the hole of a piece of wood, and then rapidly turns the curved part like a carpenter's center-bit." In other cases the rotation is affected by means of a cord or throng wound around the drill and pulled alternately by this end and that. A further advance was made by some North American Indians, who appear to have applied the principle of the bow-drill, and the still more ingenious pump-drill was used by the Iroquois Indians. For a full description of these instruments we must refer the reader to Mr. Taylor's valuable chapter in his "Researches."

These methods of producing fire are but rarely used in Europe, and only in connection with superstitious observances. We read in Wuttke that some time ago the authorities of a Mecklenberg village ordered a wild fire to be lighted against the murrain among cattle. For two hours they strove vainly to obtain a spark, but the fault was not ascribed to the quality of the wood or to the dampness of the atmosphere, but to the stubbornness of an old lady who, objecting to the superstition, would not put out her night light. Such a fire to be efficient must burn alone. At last the strong-minded woman was compelled to give in. Fire was obtained, but of bad quality, for it did not stop the murrain. A belief in the peculiar virtues of fire obtained by friction of wood has at one time or another prevailed among nations of Indo-European race, and not many years age the obtaining of need (fire) was practiced in the highlands of Scotland. One of its principal virtues has always been considered to be its efficiency against disease.

In the Sick Room.

Nothing is gained, and much time that is very valuable is wasted, by allowing ourselves to became nervous and unable to be of the slighest use in the sick room.

Although we may consider a person too ill to be aware of what is taking place about them, they are oftentimes fully cognizant of the merest trifles, and always more or less susceptible to any and all things going on in the sick room. For that reason, conversation about the condition of the patient carried on in the room in whispers, or in any mysterious manner, should be avoided and an air of quiet cheerfulness always maintained.

Nothing is so annoying as to be continually asked if we do not wish the pillows changed, the bed clothes straightened, the blind closed or opened, some nourishment brought, or any small details attended too. Better by far, to see for one's self, and do quietly without disturbing the patient. Particularly if they are disposed to sleep, do not at once get a newspaper of the kind that has the greatest possible amount of rattle in it, and set thyself in a rocking chair regardless of the possible effect it may have upon the nervous condition of thy friend.

When it is time for nourishment, or medicine, be prompt to give it, but always without talking it over too much; and if is the bitter cup that is to be prescribed, have something agreeable to follow, and a cheery word. If it is the food or broth, have it prepared outside the sick room, and brought quietly and above all, in an attractive form, to the patient, bearing in mind that a little, daintily presented, will be much more acceptable, and partaken of with more benefit than a larger quantity.

An invalid is oftentimes better nourished by partaking of a little sustenance at short intervals, and the manner in which one is cared for has much to do with their improvement.—*Good Housekeeping.*

LUCKY PHILIP.

A Well Known German Wins $15,000.

[Indianapolis, (Ind.) Sentinel, April 29.]

A few days ago Philip Reichweoin of 99 N. Noble St., received a draft through the Merchants' National bank of this city for $15,000 from the Louisiana State Lottery Company at New Orleans—Mr. Reichwein holding a twentieth part of the ticket winning the capital prize of $300,000. During the month of February Mr. Reichwein made a trip to New Orleans with the Indianapolis Maennerchor society, and while there purchased a ticket for the March drawing, leaving it with a friend there. That ticket drew $5, and sending word to his friend to invest that in more tickets he gave little thought to the matter. Shortly after the last drawing he found he held a ticket drawing a twentieth part of the capital prize. He is a prominent German, well known in the city and supreme secretary of the ancient order of druids which gives him a large circle of acquaintances in New Orleans.

A man is never such a big fool that he can't make excuses, nor so wise that he won't.

No man ought to take a dollar that will cost his neighbor twenty dollars.

The Beauty of Health.

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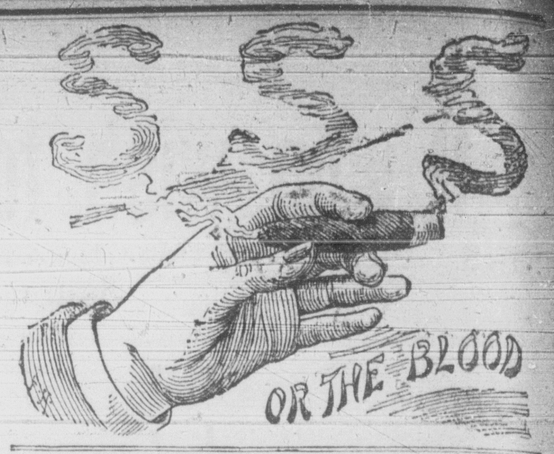

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